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## New Academic Year Begins with Over 2,000 Students

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On the 13th of July 2024, the Islamic University of Minnesota witnessed the start of the new 1446 / 2025-2024 AH academic year, with over 2,000 students from around the world joining virtual classrooms on the ZOOM platform.

Dr. Khadija Abdulwareth, the Dean of Admissions and Registration at the university, said that the number of new students so far has reached 273 students, distributed among the Bachelor's programs (188 students), Master's programs (58 students), and Doctoral programs (27 students).

The Dean of the Deanship explained that the college with the highest number of new students is the College of Computing and Information Technology, followed by the College of Islamic Studies, and then the College of Economics and Business Administration.

The Admissions and Registration Director affirmed that the registration door remains open until the 2nd of August 2024, calling on students wishing to join the university to take the initiative and register as soon as possible.

Students will begin their studies in eight academic colleges, each containing more than 35 academic departments that offer Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctoral programs, through distance learning using the global ZOOM application.



## Islamic University Opens New College of Development Studies

Minnesota - The Islamic University of Minnesota has announced the opening of a new College of Development Studies and Disaster Management, at a ceremony held at its main center. The college will offer bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees in these two fields.

The opening of the college comes amid increasing needs in the fields of development, disaster management, and crisis management, for qualified cadres to deal with the needs of sustainable development and disaster management effectively and efficiently.

Through its program, the college aims to qualify students to be able to meet the needs of society in development projects and programs, formulate development policies, make decisions, manage projects, and contribute to humanitarian work.

The college's programs aim to meet the needs of the Arab and international labor market, as numerous studies have shown a shortage of human resources specialized in development and the need for institutions to work on training their employees to cover their real needs for specialists and researchers.

The two departments affiliated with the college qualify graduates theoretically and practically through

the curriculum, materials, lectures, seminars, training courses in the fields of development, disaster workshops, and field research, to be able to work in the management, and crises in cooperation with national, ministries of development, planning, industry, and Arab, and international organizations and institutions, trade, social development, political development, supporting research and studies specialized in various media, humanitarian organizations, civil development topics in all its aspects, preparing studies society organizations, non-governmental and research, and providing consultations in the fields organizations, international organizations, in addition of development.

to research centers, studies, and specialized The college aspires to establish a refereed and consultations in the topics of development, strategic classified scientific journal for research related to thinking, knowledge economy, and crisis management development studies in all its departments, as it also

in all its aspects. Studying the program qualifies the graduate to be able for development projects within the university's main to employ what he has studied in the service of society website, specific to the college, to provide services and its development, and to be able to communicate related to managing institutions and crisis management. The college also aspires to innovate new effectively and positively with others, develop his educational units and methods that are compatible abilities to understand and analyze development with the university's education system (online).

topics, concepts, and elements, strengthen his skills in It is worth noting that the media center published the diagnosing community problems and determining priorities and methods of treatment, enabling him to names of the college council formed by the college evaluate development plans, review them, and improve administration, as follows:

their performance, train him to simulate successful - Professor Dr. Idir Mustafa Gheniat, Dean of the global development models, identify strengths and College

weaknesses in unsuccessful projects, develop a - Dr. Muhammad Ali Abdulaziz, Vice Dean of the culture of scientific research in the field of College and Head of the Department of Development development studies, and a culture of spreading Studies

awareness of development problems in Arab societies - Dr. Ilham Moatasem, Head of the Department of Disasters and Crisis Management

to form a special culture of development concepts in - Professor Khadija Radman, Administrative Affairs Officer of the College.

them, and provide scientific programs capable of - On this occasion, the opening of the door for training students to practice field work in institutions admission and registration for those wishing to join it concerned with development topics, and methods of registration at the university.

implementation. In addition to its primary mission, which is scientific was also announced, through the direct link for supporting tasks, the most important of which are <https://site.iu.edu.so/register-iu>



## Islamic University Achieves Global Recognition and Expands Its Centers and Colleges

The Islamic University of Minnesota has achieved global recognition and overcome numerous challenges, continuing with unwavering determination and resolve to fulfill its noble mission and vision of delivering the message of knowledge and education to the world, aiming to be among the leading global universities.

This was stated by His Excellency the Vice President of the Islamic University of Minnesota and Head of the Main Center, Dr. Omar Ahmed Al-Maqrami, in a post on his Facebook page.

Dr. Al-Maqrami emphasized that the university has become a destination for students from all corners of the world, and a hub for researchers and academics.

He added that the university comprises over 400 faculty members from the most distinguished academic and scientific figures, and nearly three thousand students from various nationalities and diverse specializations. It encompasses eight colleges and more than thirty-six specialized departments offering bachelor's, master's, and doctoral programs. Supporting deanships, administrative units, research centers, academic, media, and training centers surround it, all serving this university and its members.

Dr. Al-Maqrami pointed out that the university has made significant progress in the electronic field, establishing an integrated electronic system, a dedicated educational application, and a website with thousands of pages. It continues to strive to digitize educational services according to the latest advanced electronic systems.

The Vice President attributed these achievements to "the grace of Allah Almighty, first and last, His guidance, and His generosity," and then to "the efforts of all members of this blessed scientific edifice, from administrative, academic, and technical staff, who work day and night with love, dedication, patience, and responsibility."

He expressed "his sincere gratitude and appreciation to each individual and staff member of this university without exception," describing them as "the apple of its eye, its crown, which it takes pride in at every gathering." He asked Allah "to make all their efforts a balance of their good deeds and a treasure for them in this world and the hereafter."

The Head of the Main Center concluded his post by saying: "We will proceed together, with God's permission, with this blessed scientific edifice with all our enthusiasm and determination, to reach the desired goal with Allah's help, to be a beacon of knowledge and a shining sun amidst this world shrouded in darkness. Let us all participate in carrying the torch of light, raising the banner of knowledge and education, and conveying the eternal message of Islam to the worlds."

It is worth noting that this post by Dr. Al-Maqrami comes in line with the echoes of the university's celebrations for the launch of the (Center for Academic Studies), joining four previous centers affiliated with the university. It also comes on the eve of the opening of the (College of Development Sciences) to join seven previous colleges that form the core of the university's academic system.



## College of Education Opens Early Childhood Education Department

MINNESOTA - The Islamic University of Minnesota's College of Education announced the opening of a new department, the Early Childhood Education Department, on Thursday, June 2024 ,27.

The new department aims to prepare and qualify teachers, counselors, researchers, trainers, and leaders capable of dealing effectively with the early childhood stage and its various institutions. The department's vision is "to achieve excellence with qualified human resources for the early childhood education sector on a regional level," while its mission is "to prepare cadres qualified in knowledge and skills in the field of early childhood education and scientific research to achieve development and serve the community on a regional level."

The department's program aims to qualify a cadre characterized by scientific professionalism in the field of early childhood education, keep pace with the requirements of the labor market and its needs in the field of early childhood education, establish sound values and concepts to support the family and raise the child, prepare and support researchers specialized in the field of education and problems of early childhood to support the community, qualify trainers and consultants capable of dealing with the early childhood stage and facing the challenges facing the family, attract, qualify and motivate distinguished human resources for the early childhood stage, and establish strategic partnerships and

effective agreements with relevant entities to exchange expertise and knowledge.

The program requires students to attend classes regularly according to the curriculum. Students are prohibited from taking the final exam in any course if their absence rate exceeds %25 of the total lectures for that course. They will then be considered failing the course. Students are not considered successful in the course unless they obtain a grade of "Pass" or higher. Students will not graduate until they have completed all required credit hours and achieved a cumulative GPA of at least "Good."

The admission requirements for the program are as follows: "Applicants must have a high school diploma or its equivalent, and no more than five years should have passed since obtaining the high school diploma or its equivalent. The University Council may exempt this requirement if there are compelling reasons. Applicants must also be of good character and conduct, physically and emotionally fit, successfully pass any test or personal interview deemed necessary by the University Council, and not be dismissed from the Islamic University of Minnesota or any other university for disciplinary or academic reasons. They must also meet any other requirements determined by the University Council and announced at the time of application. Applicants must not submit any false information during the application process, as this will lead to the cancellation of their admission. Finally, applicants must pay %20 of the total fees required for the bachelor's program upon joining the program."

The Early Childhood Education Department is the sixth department in the College of Education, which is headed by Dr. Abdullah Abdulnabi. The departments are chaired by a group of the most qualified Arab cadres in the field of educational sciences, and their programs are implemented by a constellation of the rarest Arab educational academic cadres with sufficient teaching experience in the three stages of bachelor's, master's, and doctorate.



## Islamic University of Minnesota Appoints New Dean of Media College

MINNESOTA, June 2024 ,29 - The Islamic University of Minnesota (IUM), Main Center, has announced the appointment of Professor Abdulsalam Al-Wahati as the new Dean of the College of Media, succeeding Professor Abdulkarim Al-Wazzan, the founder and first Dean of the college.

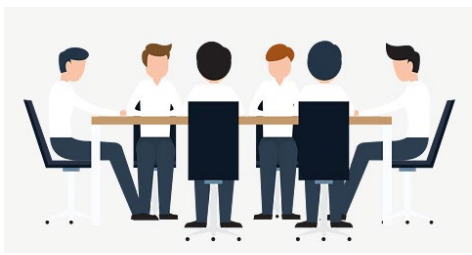
This decision came after adjustments made by the university administration under the leadership of Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, Vice President of the University and Head of the Main Center, to the administrative structure of the college. The adjustments also included the appointment of Professor Hanan Sobhi Abdullah Obeid as Head of the Graduate Studies Department and Vice Dean for Academic Affairs and Graduate Studies, and Associate Professor Dr. Badia Abdulqader as Head of the Department of Media and Public Relations - Bachelor's Degree and Vice Dean for

Administrative and Financial Affairs.

In his first reaction to the appointment decision, Professor Al-Wahati expressed his gratitude to the university administration led by Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, expressing his appreciation for the trust placed in him and praying to Allah to grant him success in his new role. He also thanked his colleagues at the college, especially Professor Abdulkarim Al-Wazzan, for their outstanding efforts during the previous period.

Professor Al-Wazzan had submitted his resignation from his position in an official letter, in which he thanked the university administration led by Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami for their support since the establishment of the Media Department at the university's branch in Senegal, and the establishment of the College of Media at the university. Al-Wazzan recommended that the faculty of the college continue their creativity and maintain the high standards of the college, which they built with professionalism and integrity.

For his part, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, Vice President of the University and Head of the Main Center, responded to the resignation letter, thanking Al-Wazzan for all his contributions to the college, emphasizing that he and his colleagues deserve great credit for laying the foundations of this distinguished college.



## University Vice President Holds Extended Meeting to Discuss Preparations for First Semester

Minnesota, June 2024 ,27 - Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, Vice President of the Islamic University of Minnesota and Head of the Main Center, held an extended meeting with the university's administrative staff on Thursday, June 2024 ,27.

The meeting focused on discussing the ongoing preparations for the first semester of the upcoming academic year. The progress of these preparations was assessed, and challenges and solutions were discussed.

Dr. Al-Maqrami emphasized the importance of preparing course groups, ensuring the addition of professors, verifying their contact information with the Dean of Student Affairs, and confirming the delivery of curricula to both professors and students. He also stressed the need to match student lists with the academic system's online portal and finalize schedules in coordination with the Virtual Classrooms Unit and department heads.

Administrative staff discussed various suggestions with the Vice President, including the

issue of available space on Google Drive and the need for coordination between the Administrative Affairs Unit and the Educational Affairs Unit to facilitate the educational process.

The meeting also addressed the issue of active and inactive faculty members, with the recommendation that scientific discussions and training be limited to active professors. It was also suggested that faculty members be monitored through reports on compensatory lectures and attendance.

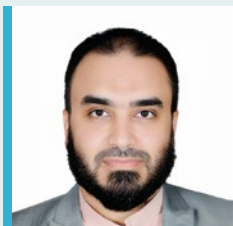
Mr. Sulaiman Maqbool praised all units, while Dr. Jumana Al-Kharashi described the Educational Affairs Unit's situation as excellent, highlighting the importance of conducting a survey to evaluate faculty members by students at the end of each semester.

Mr. Mohammed Abduljawad confirmed that the schedules for the first semester are almost ready and are being reviewed by department heads. He also mentioned the problem of internet and electricity

outages in some countries and temporary solutions to these problems.

Dr. Sonia Al-Sheikh expressed her support for the proposal of "two courses per day for students in each stage," noting the need to consider specialization when dealing with university staff.

The meeting was attended by Dr. Zainab Ali Basyouni, Vice President and Dean of Student Affairs; Dr. Marwan Bataineh, Dean of Faculty; Dr. Osama Abdulrahman Awf, Dean of Academic Affairs; Dr. Nourhan Salama, Director of Administrative Affairs for Colleges; Dr. Jumana Al-Kharashi, Director of Educational Affairs at the Dean of Academic Affairs; Mr. Sulaiman Maqbool, Director of Undergraduate Student Affairs; Ms. Amina Adel, Director of Graduate Student Affairs; Mr. Mohammed Abduljawad, Director of Virtual Classrooms and Recordings; Ms. Marwa Abdulwahhab, Director of the Information Technology Dean's Office; Eng. Ali Mustafa, her deputy; Dr. Sonia Al-Sheikh, Director of Registration at the Admissions and Registration Dean's Office; and Mr. Taher Alwan, a member of Educational Affairs.



### College of Islamic Studies Council Discusses Plans for First Semester

The College of Islamic Studies Council held a meeting on Monday, June ,24 2024, chaired by Dean Prof. Dr. Abdulrazzaq Al-Bakri, and attended by His Excellency the Vice President of the Islamic University of Minnesota, President of the Main Center, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami.

According to Ms. Amal Qasim, Head of Administrative Affairs at the College of Islamic Studies, all members of the council attended the meeting and discussed all matters that serve the college and the university, with a focus on the principle of continuous follow-up.

The meeting began with a welcoming speech by Dean Al-Bakri, in which he welcomed Vice President Dr. Al-Maqrami and the council members, and thanked them for their efforts in the summer semester.

Dr. Al-Maqrami praised the teamwork that characterizes the college, from the administrative staff to the faculty members, and considered it an indicator of the college's progress, success, and leadership among the university's colleges.

Dean Al-Bakri confirmed the completion of all work for the summer semester of the academic year 2024-2023, and the completion of preparations and arrangements for the first semester of the academic year 2025-2024.

Al-Bakri praised the effectiveness of the college's faculty members from various academic ranks ("Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, and

Professor") in all departments, and listened to the suggestions of the department heads regarding the progress of the educational process. He also pointed to some activities that have been planned for the first semester for some departments.

The dean concluded the meeting with some recommendations, emphasizing the need for the head of each department to hold two meetings: one with the faculty members and another with the students. He asked the heads of departments to inquire from the professors about the reasons for absenteeism to overcome the difficulties faced by the students. He also stressed the need for commitment to attending lectures on time by the professors, and not to raise any political opinions during the lectures. He reminded the lecturers of the need to comply with the instructions issued by the senior management. Dean Al-Bakri noted that another meeting will be held during the next semester.

On the sidelines of the meeting, Vice President Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami commented, saying: "I was pleased today to participate in the meeting of the College of Islamic Studies Council, in response to a kind invitation from the College Council, represented by His Excellency the Dean of the College, Prof. Dr. Abdulrazzaq Al-Bakri, and to meet with His Excellency and the esteemed heads of departments of this blessed college, and to listen to their words and valuable suggestions."



### College of Education Discusses Concerns and Aspirations

The Dean of the College of Education, Professor Abdullah Abdunabi, held a meeting with the members of the College Council on Wednesday, June 2024 ,5. The meeting discussed the progress of the examinations for the summer semester, preparations for the first semester, in addition to a number of concerns and aspirations of the college.

The Head of the Department of Educational Psychology, Dr. Anas Nawafleh, confirmed that the examinations are proceeding smoothly and easily. The Head of the Department of Educational Sciences, Professor Marwan Zaid Bataineh, presented a proposal to establish a psychological unit in the college in cooperation with three departments: Educational Psychology, Family Guidance, and Educational Sciences. The Head of the Department of Educational Administration, Dr. Heba Abu Ayada, discussed the issue of promotions with the Dean and submitted a draft proposal

in this regard. Dr. Mohammed Hosni, Head of the Department of Curriculum and Teaching Methods, also discussed a proposal regarding the reserve exam, which aims to take into account the pressure on faculty members.

In addition to the Dean of the College, the meeting was attended by Dr. Anas Nawafleh, Head of the Department of Educational Psychology, Professor Marwan Zaid Bataineh, Head of the Department of Educational Sciences, Dr. Mohammed Hosni, Head of the Department of Curriculum and Teaching Methods, Dr. Heba Abu Ayada, Head of the Department of Educational Administration, and Dr. Nourhan Salama, Head of Administrative Affairs at the College.

The meeting discussed a number of concerns and aspirations of the college, including: Establishing a psychological unit in the college, promotions, reserve exam, and pressure on faculty members



### University Vice -Dean Thanks University Staff

In a video clip published by the Media Center of the Islamic University of Minnesota, His Excellency Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, the Vice -Dean of the University, expressed his sincere gratitude and deep appreciation to all the academic and administrative personnel of the University on the occasion of the conclusion of the summer semester, which coincides with the blessed ten days of Dhul Hijjah.

After praising Allah the Almighty for His guidance and facilitation in completing the summer semester, the Vice -Dean commended the blessed efforts and responsible follow-up provided by the University's personnel, which reflected the spirit of dedication, sincerity, strong

will, and ambition of this prestigious academic institution.

Al-Maqrami praised the University's teaching staff who exert tireless efforts in spreading the message of knowledge and learning to their students according to the curricula and educational plans. He also thanked the Deans of Colleges, Heads of Departments, Deans of Deanships, and Directors of Administrative Units and Centers, in addition to the technical cadres who work tirelessly to elevate the University in all fields.

At the end of his speech, the Vice -Dean cited a Quranic verse that emphasizes that what benefits people is what continues and endures, praying to Allah the Almighty to make the efforts of the University's personnel a treasure for this blessed edifice and to increase them in His grace and generosity.



## Islamic University Prepares for End-of-Summer Semester Exams and Looks Ahead to the New Academic Year

Minnesota, June 2024 ,1: The Islamic University of Minnesota (Main Center) is preparing for the end-of-summer semester exams and looking ahead to the new academic year 2025-2024 through a series of meetings at the college and department levels.

### College of Economics and Business Administration:

The Dean of the College, Dr. Shireen Ma'moun, held a meeting with heads of departments, deputies, and faculty members on May 2024 ,31, to discuss preparations for the final exams and arrange the course schedules for the first semester of the new academic year. The Dean stressed the need for the course instructor to be present in the course group to clarify any ambiguity or potential inquiries from students. She also requested the instructors to promptly correct the exams and record the grades after the students finish their exams and before the deadline for recording on June 2024 ,9.

### College of Arts and Humanities:

Department of Arabic Language: The Head of the Department, Dr. Osama Abdulrahman, held a meeting with faculty members on May 2024 ,31. Dr. Osama stressed the need for the course instructor to be present with his students in the WhatsApp group to respond to their inquiries and deal with students as a father, not to be stingy with his time on them, and stressing that colleagues should stay with the students until the end of the exam. He also distributed

the teaching costs of the subjects and courses for the next semester on the faculty members in the department according to their specific specialization. Department of History, Civilization and Islamic Studies: The Head of the Department, Dr. Siham Abdulbaqi, held a meeting with faculty members on May 2024 ,30. They discussed evaluating the level of study in the summer semester, reminding faculty members of their duties during the exam period and beyond, and distributing the courses on the faculty fairly to ensure the effectiveness of everyone in the next semester. They also reviewed the most important achievements of the department during the academic year and opened the door for faculty members to express their opinions and suggestions.

Department of Political Science: The Head of the Department, Dr. Faiza Khattab, held an extensive meeting via Zoom on May 2024 ,30. They discussed the importance of meetings and maintaining their continuity, and they touched on the exams and the need to correct them within the specified time, follow up on the recording of grades and upload them to the electronic portal correctly, and the attendees stressed the need to diversify the questions between essay and objective. At the end of the meeting, they discussed the topic of supervising scientific messages and the need to assign supervision to new members according to the academic ladder so that the student can benefit

from their scientific experience.

### College of Computing and Information Technology:

The College Council, headed by Dean Dr. Munir Abdulbari, held a meeting on May 2024 ,30, in the presence of council members and administrative affairs. The meeting agenda was reviewed and addressed point by point, starting with the official receipt of the tasks of the Head of the Department of Data Science and Artificial Intelligence by Dr. Mohammed Habib Al-Samkari, follow-up on course schedules, lecture reports, evaluation of faculty members, semester and final exams, solving student problems, follow-up on curricula and course references, follow-up on trustees, and student semester reports. The meeting concluded with an agreement to establish a control unit dedicated to exams in the college that can be changed every semester, an internal training unit, and to put in place appropriate circulars to communicate with the supporting administrative units, a mechanism for communicating with student affairs, a mechanism for communicating with graduate affairs, and a mechanism for communicating with faculty affairs.

It is worth noting that the Islamic University of Minnesota is preparing for the new academic year 2025-2024 by holding a series of meetings at the college and department levels to ensure the smooth and effective running of the educational process.



### Virtual Rooms and Recordings Unit: Streamlining Access to Lectures and Course Management

The Virtual Rooms and Recordings Unit achieved remarkable success during the second semester of the academic year 2024/2023 and the summer semester of 1445/2024H. This success was driven by the unit's effective use of Google tools to manage course schedules and facilitate access to lectures.

Utilizing Google tools, the unit efficiently prepared and delivered course schedules to department heads through Google Docs. This collaborative system eliminated the need for file downloads and manual submissions, streamlining access to schedules and reducing version control issues.

The unit further enhanced accessibility by integrating links directly into the PDF schedule files, allowing students to access lectures with a single click. Additionally, playlists

easy access to daily lectures in both audio and video formats. A total of 50 video and 50 audio playlist links were provided.

During the second semester, the unit managed 180 primary rooms and 50 compensatory and supplementary rooms. A total of 30 schedule adjustments were made, and 730 video and audio lectures were recorded. Additionally, 730 attendance record files were generated, along with 19 training course links, 21 video recordings of training courses, 32 links for public discussions and seminar sessions (with 33 recordings), 55 meeting links, and 42 language center links. A total of 9600 files were uploaded, with an approximate size of 500 GB downloaded from ZOOM and 275 GB uploaded to YOUTUBE and HEARTHIS. In the summer semester, a total of 2190 files were uploaded, and approximately 350 links were created.



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## Official Report Reveals 1021 Students Enrolled in Summer Bachelor's Program

The editorial department obtained an electronic cooperation.

copy of an official illustrated report issued by the Bachelor's Student Affairs Unit, titled "Final Report for the Summer Semester 2024 - 2023." The report was prepared by Mariam Mohammed Amr under the supervision of the unit's director, Mr. Sulaiman Maqbool.

The report includes five sections: student statistics, absence and deprivation mechanisms, exam organization, honoring events, and a conclusion. The report also lists the meetings held by the unit, its contact information, the units it collaborated with, and the forms of

The report reveals that there are 1021 students enrolled in the summer bachelor's program, distributed across various academic levels. The Business Administration department tops the list with 202 students, followed by the Islamic Studies department with 120 students, and then the Networks and Cybersecurity department with 112 students.

The report clarifies the mechanisms of absence and deprivation, including the detailed steps involved, alongside the strict regulations for making deprivation decisions. It also outlines the

mechanism for implementing and monitoring exams, from receiving exam links from the Control Unit to testing absent students with valid excuses.

The report mentions that university administrative units have made it a practice to issue a report on their activities at the end of each semester, which is usually submitted to the university administration. The administration then utilizes this report in the process of making and taking necessary decisions for development and modernization.



## Workshop on Failures of Graduate Students in Scientific Theses

The Quality and Development Unit, in cooperation with the Department of Jurisprudence at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, organized a lecture entitled "Failures of Graduate Students in Scientific Theses."

The lecture was delivered by Dr. Salah Faraj, Head of the Department of Jurisprudence and its Fundamentals, and moderated by Dr. Fatima Juma Al-Wahsh, Director of the Quality and Development Unit.

The lecture addressed three main axes: the most important failures, the causes of failures, and the methods of treatment.

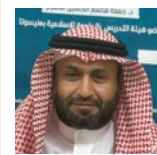
In her intervention, Dr. Fatima Juma Al-Wahsh focused on the importance of the preparatory stages that precede scientific research, which are no less important than the research itself, namely: determining the title, identifying the research problem, setting objectives, defining the scope of the research, and

choosing the research methodology.

Dr. Salah Faraj discussed the reasons for the failure of graduate students in scientific theses, the most important of which are: distraction and lack of study and follow-up, lack of organization and planning, ignorance in the methods and methodology of scientific research, and ignorance in the knowledge of scientific books.

Dr. Faraj also touched on the methods of treatment, which include: focusing on writing the thesis, avoiding distraction, organized and sound planning, dividing the plan over time, dividing the research into chapters, making good use of time, and reading and listening.

The lecture witnessed a great deal of interaction from the attendees, as the discussion was opened at the end of the lecture, and the two doctors participated in answering the inquiries.



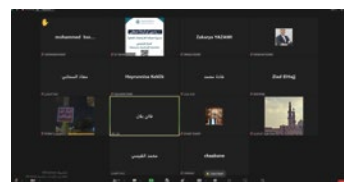
## Researcher Earns Doctorate in Comparative Jurisprudence

Researcher Fahd Mohammed Abdullah Al-Ahmadi has been awarded a Doctorate in Comparative Jurisprudence from the Department of Jurisprudence and its Fundamentals at the Islamic University of Minnesota. This follows the successful defense of his dissertation titled "Rulings of Disability in Islamic Jurisprudence - A Comparative Study".

The public defense was held on Saturday, June 2024 ,8, at 9:30 PM Makkah time, by the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Campus, College of Sharia and Law. The examining committee consisted of Dr. Juma Hashem Al-Hussain Al-Ashram, faculty member at the

Islamic University of Minnesota, as a supervisor and rapporteur, Professor Dr. Salah Faraj, Head of the Department of Jurisprudence and its Fundamentals at the Islamic University of Minnesota, as internal examiner, and Associate Professor Dr. Ali Abdullah Mohammed Al-Hussein from the University of the Holy Quran and Islamic Sciences and the University of Nilein, as external examiner.

The examining committee commended the high academic level of the dissertation and unanimously decided to award the researcher a Doctorate in Comparative Jurisprudence with distinction.



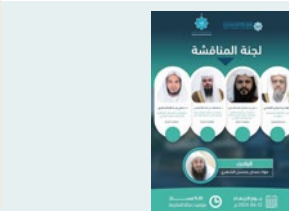
## Researcher Faten Earns PhD in Quranic Studies

MINNESOTA, June 2024 ,29 - Moroccan Researcher Faten bint Moulay Idris Bilal has been awarded a PhD in Quranic Studies from the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, after successfully defending her dissertation titled "Collecting the Benefits in the Methods of Imam Nafea' by Abu Abdullah Mohammed ibn Ali Al-Lajai: A Study and Investigation."

The dissertation defense took place during a public session held by the Deanship of Graduate Studies and Scientific Research at the Islamic University of Minnesota, College of Islamic Studies - Department of Quran and Quranic Sciences, on Saturday, 23rd of Dhul-Hijjah 1445 AH, in Rabat, external examiner.

corresponding to June 2024 ,29, at 9:30 PM Makkah time.

The examination committee, which granted the scholar her PhD, consisted of Dr. Mohammed bin Abdulaziz Al-Qubaisi, faculty member at the Islamic University of Minnesota, supervisor and rapporteur, Dr. Ziad Ahmad Al-Hajj, faculty member at the Islamic University of Minnesota and Head of the Department of Readings at the University of Jannah in Lebanon, internal examiner, and Dr. Moaz Mohammed Al-Sahhaby, Professor of Quran and Quranic Sciences at the Mohammed VI Institute of Readings and Quranic Studies in Rabat, external examiner.



## Researcher Fouad Al-Shahri Obtains PhD Degree

Researcher Fouad Hamdan Mohsen Al-Shahri obtained his PhD degree from the Islamic University of Minnesota after discussing his thesis titled "Obstacles to Family Reform in the Age of Technology and Ways to Overcome Them" on Wednesday, Dhu al-Hijjah 1445 ,6 AH, corresponding to June 2024 ,12.

The discussion committee was chaired by the university president,

Professor Walid bin Idris Al-Menisi, and included Dr. Abdulmuttalib Al-Qurashi from the Faculty of Sharia and Islamic Studies at King Khalid University (external examiner), Dr. Sami bin Salem bin Marzouq Al-Saeedi from the Faculty of Judicial Studies at Umm Al-Qura University (external examiner), and Dr. Ali bin Saeed Al-Asmari from the faculty of the Islamic University of Minnesota (internal examiner).

The thesis dealt with the obstacles to family reform in the age of technology and ways to overcome them. The committee members praised the thesis for its scientific and practical importance and decided to award the researcher a PhD degree with an excellent grade.

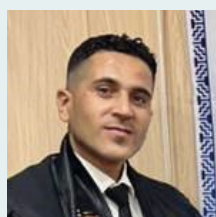
## Department of Curriculum Approves Iman Sabri's Plan for Master Degree



The Department of Curriculum and Teaching Methods at the Islamic University of Minnesota, chaired by Dr. Talat Al-Dardeer, has approved the research plan submitted by the researcher Iman Sabri Saeed Ibrahim, for a Master's degree in Teaching Methods.

This came after a seminar session held by the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the university on Friday, June 2024 ,28, at 10:00 pm Mecca time. During the session, the scientific committee discussed the plan chosen by Iman Sabri titled: "A Suggested Program for Developing Speaking Skill through Utilizing Evaluation Strategies in Teaching Listening Skill for EFL Learners"

The discussion committee consisted of Dr. Talat Al-Dardeer as the chairman, and Dr. Mahrous Sulaiman and Dr. Aimn Fathi Al-Komi as members.



## Researcher Oqbah Al-Haj Obtains PhD in Business Administration

Researcher Oqbah Abduljabbar Al-Haj Mustafaa obtained his PhD in Business Administration after discussing his thesis titled "The Impact of Job Quality on the Academic Performance of Faculty Members in Universities - A Field Study: Applied to Universities in Northern and Eastern Syria".

The Graduate Studies Deanship at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, College of Economics and Business Administration - Department of Business Administration, held the discussion session on Sunday, June ,9 2024, at 9:30 PM Mecca time.

The discussion committee, which

recommended granting the researcher the degree, was chaired by Dr. Mohammed Younis Hamida, Head of the Department of Business Administration at the Islamic University of Minnesota. The committee also included Dr. Abdulrahman Abdulghani, a faculty member at the Islamic University of Minnesota, as supervisor, Dr. Mohammed Fathi, a faculty member at the Islamic University of Minnesota, as internal examiner, and Dr. Manal Mohammed Mahmoud, Dean of the Faculty of Administrative Sciences at the Sudan Open University, as external examiner.

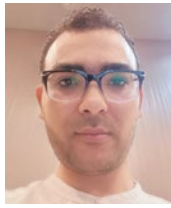


## Scientific Committee Approves Mona Sami's Doctoral Plan

A scientific committee from the Department of Creed and Contemporary Doctrines of Thought, headed by Professor Dr. Imad Abdu Al-Ajili, the head of the department, has approved the research plan submitted by researcher Mona Sami Mohamed to study the Creed aspects in the explanation of the names and attributes in the interpretation of Sheikh Muhammad Metwally Al-Shaarawi (1419-1329 AH/1998-1911).

The approval came after discussing the plan in a seminar session held by the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Campus, College of Islamic Studies, on Wednesday, June 2024 ,13, at 10:00 PM Makkah time.

In addition to its head, Professor Dr. Imad Abdo Al-Ajili, the plan discussion committee included Dr. Majed Al-Harbi, Dr. Ahmed Sayed Ahmed, and Dr. Mahmoud Abdulkarim.



## Doctoral Plans Approved by Committee Headed by Dr. Alaa Husni

A scientific committee from the Department of Judiciary and Islamic Politics, headed by Dr. Alaa Husni Mousa, the Head of the Department, approved the research plan submitted by student Hawwa Abdullah Abdu Maresh Al-Majidi. Her research will conduct a comparative study between Islamic jurisprudence rulings and Yemeni and Saudi laws regarding judicial accountability for medical errors and its role in safeguarding rights. The Graduate Studies Deanship at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, held a seminar session on Wednesday, June 2024 ,5, at 9:00 PM Mecca Time, to discuss the aforementioned research plan prepared by Hawa as part of fulfilling the requirements for obtaining a doctorate from the College of Sharia and Law.

The discussion committee that approved the plan consisted of Dr. Alaa Hassani Mousa as the chair, along with Dr. Mohammed Abdulhamid Al-Shaqldi and Dr. Omar Mohammed Jabaji as members.

In the same context, another scientific committee from the same department, chaired by Dr. Alaa Hassani Mousa, approved the research plan submitted by student Ahmed Ibrahim Muhammad Ibrahim. His research will conduct a comparative study between Islamic jurisprudence and the Saudi system regarding the rulings of the Electronic Contract Council.

This committee consisted of Dr. Alaa as the chair, along with Dr. Muzahem Tariq Al-Mustafa, Dean of the College of Sharia and Law, and Dr. Basel Omar Al-Majali as members.

## Academic Committee Approves Research Plan on Women's Security Jihad



MINNESOTA, USA - An academic committee from the Department of Jurisprudence and its fundamentals at the Islamic University of Minnesota has approved the research plan submitted by researcher Ghada Abdulquddous Mustafa to study the security jihad of Muslim women, both in its regular and irregular forms, through a comparative Jurisprudential study. The study, which will be submitted as part of the requirements for a Master's degree from the College of Sharia and Law, will be a comparative Jurisprudential study. The Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, the main center, held a seminar session to

discuss the aforementioned research plan on Monday, May 2024 ,27, at 10:00 PM Mecca time.

The discussion committee consisted of the following members in addition to its chairman, Dr. Salah Faraj: Dr. Mubarak Saud, Dr. Mohammed Amin, and Dr. Abeer Ata Zahra.

The study is of great importance in light of the ongoing debate about the role of women in jihad. The study seeks to provide a comprehensive understanding of the concept of security jihad from a Jurisprudential perspective, and to explore the different opinions of scholars on the participation of women in this type of jihad.



## Khalid Omar Secures Approval for His PhD Research Plan

Researcher Khaled Mohammed Omar has secured approval for his PhD research plan in comparative law, following a seminar session held by the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, on Tuesday, June 2024 ,11. The seminar session was chaired by Dr. Mohammed Shoaib Abdulmaqsoud, Head of the Law Department, and attended by Dr. Hussein Hassan Al-Hamwi and Dr. Ihab Talat Abdulkhaleq. The research plan prepared by researcher Khalid Mohammed Omar addressed a comparative legal study between the Ethiopian systems and

Islamic jurisprudence, focusing on the responsibility of the constitutional state regarding the right to non-discrimination on the basis of religion.

This step comes as part of the researcher's fulfillment of the requirements for obtaining a PhD degree from the College of Sharia and Law.

On this occasion, the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, extends its sincere congratulations to researcher Khalid Mohammed Omar on this achievement and wishes him success in his academic career.



## Islamic University of Minnesota Approves Research Plan of Abu Bakr Sheikh

MINNESOTA, USA - An academic committee from the Department of Creed and Contemporary Schools of Thought at the Islamic University of Minnesota has approved a research plan submitted by researcher Abu Bakr Jafoun to study the Islamic Preaching Methods of confronting the Shia expansion in Guinea-Bissau.

The study, which will be submitted as part of the requirements for obtaining a PhD degree from the College of Islamic Studies, will be a descriptive and analytical study.

The Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, the main center, held a seminar session to discuss the aforementioned research plan on Thursday, May 2024 ,30, at 10:00 PM Mecca time.

The discussion committee consisted of the following members in addition to its chairman, Prof. Dr. Imad Al-Din Abdo Al-Ojaili: Prof. Dr. Abdulrahman Abu Al-Majd, Dr. Amer Al-Mashhrawi, and Dr. Khalaf Al-Mutwali



## Scientific Committee Approves Two Doctoral Dissertation Proposals

On Tuesday, June 2024 ,25, the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota held a seminar session to discuss the doctoral dissertation proposals submitted by researchers Mohammed Samir Abdulrahman Said and Shawqi Za'lani. The discussion committee that approved the proposals was chaired by the Head of the Department of Jurisprudence and its Fundamentals, Dr. Salah Faraj. The committee also included Dr. Ammar Abdullah, Dr. Mustafa Ahmed Mohammed, and Dr. Jumu'ah Al-Ashram.

The titles of the approved proposals were: "Jurisprudential Rules Related to Facilitation and Removal of Hardship and their Applications in the Field of Artificial Intelligence" by researcher Mohammed Samir, and "Legitimate Alternatives to Futures Contracts - A Comparative Jurisprudential Study" by researcher Shawqi Za'lani.

The scientific committee approved the doctoral dissertation proposals for the two researchers after discussing and evaluating them during the session held at 10 PM Makkah time.



## Doctoral Plan Approved for Sohaib Saleh in Educational Administration

A scientific committee from the Department of Educational Administration, headed by Dr. Hiba Tawfiq Abu Ayyada, the Head of the Department, approved the research plan submitted by student Sohaib Saleh, in fulfillment of the requirements for obtaining a doctorate, entitled (A Proposed Educational Administrative Guide to Achieve an Effective Organizational Climate in Sharia Light of Leadership, and Communication, and Employee Care Variables).

The Graduate Studies Deanship at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, College of Educational Sciences, held a seminar session to discuss the aforementioned research plan on Sunday, June 2024 ,2, at 10:00 PM Mecca Time. It is worth noting that the discussion committee that approved the plan consisted of Dr. Hiba Abu Ayyada as the chair, along with Dr. Ibrahim Ali Al-Bahr, Dr. Amani Al-Khatlan, Dr. Lamia Al-Khalayleh as members.



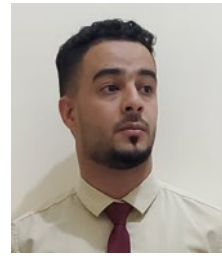
## Training Center Organizes Workshop on Contract Drafting Skills

The Training and Development and Community Programs Center at the Islamic University of Minnesota, the main center, organized a training workshop entitled "Contract Drafting Skills" delivered by Dr. Jamal Abdulaziz Al-Othman on Saturday, June 2024, 8, from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM Mecca time.

The workshop aims to introduce participants to various aspects of contract drafting, including the definition of a contract, its elements, types, the difference between it and a memorandum of understanding, factors that help in drafting it well, guidelines to be followed before concluding it, characteristics of professional drafting, essential elements for integrated drafting, preparing for it in terms of determining the purpose, potential risks and emergencies, penalties and guarantees, rights and obligations, skills in using questions before starting drafting, the mechanism for drafting contract clauses, the formality of those clauses, and prohibitions on drafting.

The workshop targeted students from inside and outside the university and all those interested in its subject. Committed participants were awarded certificates upon completion of the program, which were distributed through the center's platform on the university's official website, which is the platform where the workshop video will be uploaded.

Engineer Al-Moatasem Faez, Director of the Training and Development and Community Programs Center, stated that the workshop achieved great success, as it witnessed a remarkable attendance from students and those interested in its subject. He stressed the importance of organizing such training workshops that contribute to developing students' skills and enhancing their abilities.



## Media Center Director Meets with Head of Publication Department

On Sunday, June 2024, 2, Media Center Director Engineer Abdullah Al-Mansoub met with Engineer Mohammed Basha, Head of the Publication and Marketing Department at the center, to discuss a number of topics related to the marketing and publication mechanisms for the university.

The meeting focused on discussing the marketing mechanism for the university and its centers on various social media platforms, and ways to attract those interested in science, especially during the advertising campaign for the first semester, in accordance with the policy followed by the university.

Regarding the publication department, the discussion included prioritizing publications and ways of cooperation and coordination with various centers and administrative units in the university.

This meeting comes within the framework of the Media Center's endeavor to enhance effective communication with the target audience and present a clear picture of the university and its scientific and research centers.

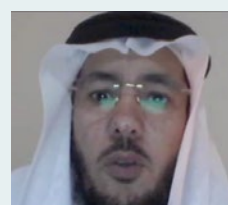


## Center for Academic Studies Launches Activities with Course on Constitutional Authority

The Center for Academic Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, inaugurated its first activity through the Political Studies Unit by organizing an academic course titled "Introduction to Political Science: Constitutional Authority." The course is presented by Dr. Khaled Mohammed Attia, Head of the Political Studies Unit at the Center.

The five-day course delves into the concept of constitutional authority, covering sub-topics related to its significance, characteristics, forms, references, rules, types, limitations, influence, rights, duties, responsibilities, and its stance on legitimate politics.

Dr. Khaled Attia stated that the course provided a free opportunity to acquire political skills. It was held on Saturdays, June 22nd and 29th, and Mondays, June 24th and July 1st, with one lecture each day at 9:00 AM Makkah time.



## Training Hosts Dr. Al-Shinqiti in Interactive Lecture on the Day of Arafah

In celebration of the best ten days of the year, the first ten days of Dhul-Hijjah, and in anticipation of the greatest day of the year, the Day of Arafah, the Training and Development Center and Community Programs at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, hosted an interactive lecture entitled "Pauses with the Day of Arafah."

The lecture was delivered by Dr. Abay Mohammed Mahmoud A-Shinqiti on Tuesday, June 2024, 11, from 8:30 PM to 10:00 PM Makkah time.

Dr. Al-Shinqiti emphasized the virtue of supplication and remembrance on this blessed day, urging the audience to seize the opportunity and supplicate to Allah Almighty for forgiveness and mercy.



## Training and Development Center Holds Communication Skills Workshop

MINNESOTA, May 2024, 23: The Islamic University of Minnesota's Training and Development Center hosted a workshop titled "Communication Skills for Personal and Professional Growth" on Thursday, May 2024, 23. The workshop was led by Dr. Wasim Majed, a certified international trainer, and targeted students from within and outside the university, as well as anyone interested in developing their communication skills.

The workshop highlighted the importance of effective communication in fostering mutual understanding, improving personal relationships, facilitating collaboration and teamwork, aiding in conflict resolution, and setting shared goals. It also emphasized the need to master listening, speaking, writing, and negotiation skills to successfully accomplish tasks in both work and personal life.

Dr. Majed stressed that the ability to communicate effectively is a crucial life skill for success in the modern era, enabling individuals and organizations to clearly express their ideas and achieve desired outcomes.

Participants who actively engaged in the workshop received a certificate of completion from the center's platform on the university's official website via a dedicated link.



## Training Center Organizes Interactive Lecture on Modern Teaching Strategies

The Center for Training, Development, and Community Programs at the Islamic University of Minnesota - Main center organized an interactive lecture titled "Modern Teaching Strategies" on Thursday, June 2024, 13, from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM Mecca Time.

The lecture was delivered by Dr. Ali Mohammed Dawahedeh, in collaboration with Dr. Bayan Nayef Al-Araydah, and targeted students of knowledge everywhere. The lecture was broadcast via Zoom, and participants received certificates of completion through the center's platform via a dedicated link.



## Scientific Lecture on the "Virtues of the Day of Arafat"

On Thursday, June 2024, 13, the administration of the Quranic Learning Center at the Islamic University of Minnesota organized a scientific lecture on the book "The Virtues of the Day of Arafat" under the supervision of the recitation scholar, Sheikh Ahmad Suroor Ahmad Al-Shafi'i.

The scientific lecture addressed four main topics: the virtues of the Day of Arafat, the best supplication on the Day of Arafat, the acts of worship on the Day of Arafat, and the reading of the book's text and its certification.

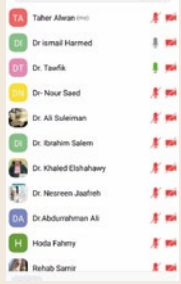


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## Duaa Qatnani Lectures on Rapid Recall and Concentration Techniques for Exam Success

The Training, Development, and Community Programs Center at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Campus, organized an interactive lecture titled "Rapid Recall and Concentration Techniques for Exam Success." The lecture was delivered by Dr. Duaa Qatnani, a faculty member at the College of Arts and Humanities at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Campus, on Tuesday, May 2024, 28, at 8:00 PM Mecca Time.

This lecture was held in conjunction with the approaching end-of-semester exams for the summer semester, which were conducted in early June. The lecture aimed to equip students with the necessary skills to improve their memory and concentration, enabling them to achieve success in their exams.



## English Department Discusses Mechanisms for Dealing with Online Students

Dr. Hiba Abu Ayyada, Head of the Educational Administration Department, held a meeting with the faculty members of the department in the presence of the Dean of the Faculty of Educational Sciences, Dr. Abdullah Abdulnabi, and the Administrative Affairs Officer, Dr. Nourhan, on Saturday, June 2024 ,8.

At the beginning, Dr. Hiba Abu Ayyada welcomed the attendees, then presented a slide containing the agreed-upon meeting plan. She began the meeting by welcoming the new faculty members, Professor Dhilal and Dr. Aya, and the attendees listened to a brief biography of each.

Abu Ayyada commended the achievement, commitment, and excellence in teaching the summer semester courses, highlighting the qualitative shift in teaching that relied on discussion, dialogue, and interaction with students. She also praised the %100 commitment to delivering lectures and submitting exams (primary and backup) ten days before the deadline, as well as recording assignment grades, taking the initiative to record final exam grades within 24 hours of the end of the exam and correction, and motivating students before, during, and after exams.

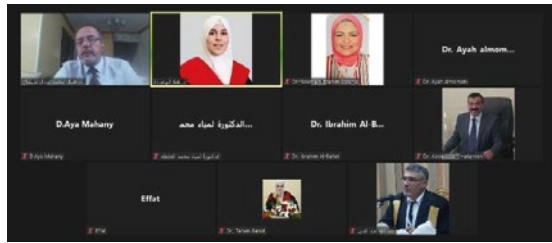
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Dr. Hiba Abu Ayyada concluded the meeting by inviting the members to renew their intention to seize the virtue of the ten days with good deeds and acts of worship, before opening the floor for the attendees to participate. The meeting concluded with interventions from the attendees, and finally, Dean Dr. Abdullah Abdulnabi and Administrative Affairs Officer Dr. Nourhan Salama praised the members' participation.



### Abu Ayyada Holds Meeting with Faculty Members

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### Department of Islamic Studies in English Holds Meeting

On Saturday, May 2024 ,25, the Department of Islamic Studies in English at the College of Islamic Studies held a meeting for faculty members, chaired by Dr. Manal Mustafa, the department head.

At the beginning of the meeting, Dr. Manal expressed gratitude to the University Vice-President, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, and the Dean of the College of Islamic Studies, Dr. Abdulrazeq Al-Bakri, for their continuous interest and support for the department.

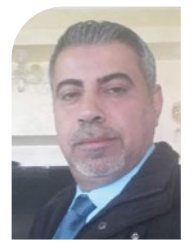
Dr. Manal discussed with the attending professors a number of issues related to the department and the college, the most prominent of which were preparing for the summer semester exams and familiarizing the students with them, as well as informing the professors about the new structure of the department council and its functions.

She also addressed the preparation of a specialized description for the department to serve as a unified model for all professors, and in this regard, she tasked Dr. Abdullah Hammat with developing this plan.

She emphasized the importance of paying attention to recording grades after correcting the exams, and clarified the rule for distributing supervision of postgraduate students among all faculty members.

At the end of the meeting, Dr. Manal opened the discussion on other matters of interest to the department, before concluding with her praise and thanks to all attendees for their participation.

### Department of Educational Sciences Faculty Meeting in Preparation for the First Semester



The Head of the Department of Educational Sciences, Associate Professor Dr. Marwan Zaid Bataineh, held a departmental meeting attended by faculty members in the presence of his deputy, Dr. Dua'a Qatnani, and the Head of Administrative Affairs at the College, Dr. Nourhan Salama, on Sunday, June 2024 ,9.

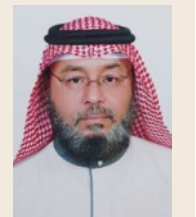
The Head of the Department welcomed the new faculty member, Dr. Mohammed Jaaboub from the Sultanate of Oman, to the department.

The attendees discussed several topics included in the meeting plan, most notably; preparations for the first semester of the new academic year, the first semester's academic schedule and related timings, and distribution of courses among faculty members.

Regarding the distribution of courses, the Head of the Department distributed them fairly among all members, taking into account their specializations. He also amended some of the courses chosen by some colleagues in the department. Dr. Bataineh promised to send the specific curricula for the first semester to the designated faculty members.

At the end of the meeting, the Head of the Department listened to the faculty members after opening the floor for any comments or observations. He reminded them of the start date of the semester, July 2024 ,13, according to the approved university calendar.

### Training Workshop on "Effective Leadership Traits"



The Development and Quality Unit at the Islamic University of Minnesota organized a training workshop titled "Effective Leadership Traits" on Thursday, June 2024 ,27. The workshop was delivered by certified international trainer Dr. Adel Mustafa Al-Maghrabi and moderated by the Director of the Development and Quality Unit, Dr. Fatima Juma Al-Wahsh.

The workshop targeted administrative units and secretaries and focused on four main themes: 1. General information about leadership. 2. The concept of leadership and the leader. 3. Traits of an effective leader - knowledge, skills, and behaviors. 4. A light exercise to break the routine

The workshop, which extended from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM Mecca time, is part of a series of workshops and lectures sponsored by the Development and Quality Unit to enhance performance and achieve quality standards, which the university strives to attain.





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# Islamic University Celebrates Faculty Achievements and Welcomes New Members

The Islamic University of Minnesota (IUM) has recently celebrated the achievements of several faculty members and welcomed new additions to its teaching staff.

Dean of Faculty Affairs, Dr. Marwan Zayed Bataineh, congratulated a number of doctors on their academic accomplishments, expressing the university's pride and appreciation. They are; Dr. Hiyam Sami Al-Zoabi, Vice Dean of the College of Economics and Administrative Sciences and Head of the Department of Islamic Economics, was recognized for her research paper on "Cryptocurrency and the Financing of Terrorism" published in the Journal of Extremism and Armed Groups, Prof. Hanan Sobhi Obeid, Head of the Media Department for Graduate Studies, was acknowledged for her book "Intellectual Insights in Leading Educational Affairs" published by IUM, Dr. Amir Khalifa Ibrahim Ramadan, Faculty member, was commended for his book "Guarantees of Public Employees before Investigative Bodies" published by IUM, Dr. Mohammed Said Salah Athamneh, Faculty member in the Department of History and Islamic Civilization, was recognized for his book "The Followers of the Companions in Medina" published by IUM, Dr. Omar Al-Sir Al-Hassan Mohammed, Faculty member in the Department of Accounting, was acknowledged for his two research papers published in the International Journal of Advanced and Applied Sciences, Dr. Zaid Nawaf Al-Duwairi: Faculty member in the Department of Islamic Economics, was commended for his

research paper "Utilizing Artificial Intelligence Techniques in Developing Waqf Projects" published in the prestigious Beit magazine, and Dr. Abdullah Hemmat Khalifa, Department of Islamic Studies in English, was recognized for representing IUM with research papers at several scientific conferences.

IUM also welcomed several new doctors to its faculty, including; Dr. Dhilal Abu Al-Ola and Dr. Aya Al-Absi (Department of Educational Administration), Dr. Ammar Al-Dhaldeen, Dr. Reem Tawfiq, and Dr. Sayed Ahmed Mohammed Mohammed Al-Bayoumi (Department of Da'wah and Islamic Culture), Dr. Sahar Al-Samadi (Department of Arabic Language), Dr. Shima Abdel Ghaffar (Department of Law), Dr. Noha Salim, Dr. Mahmoud Al-Qalam, and Dr. Bakri Sharaf El-Din (Department of Islamic Studies English), Dr. Asim Hassan (Department of Accounting), Dr. Samira Al-Ziyoud and Dr. Mamdouh Al-Anzi (Department of Educational Sciences Bachelor), Dr. Fawzia Al-Taha (Department of Business Administration), Dr. Abdulmohsen Aqila and Dr. Mohammed Ibrahim (Department of Media Graduate Studies), Dr. Safaa Gharib (Department of Media Bachelor), and Mr. Marwan Al-Awaisheh (Quality and Development Unit).

This influx of talent demonstrates IUM's commitment to academic excellence and its dedication to providing students with a diverse and enriching learning experience.



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## Deputy President Appoints Dr. Nabila Masoud as Head of Early Childhood Education Department

The Deputy President of the Islamic University of Minnesota issued a decision on Thursday, June 2024, 27, to appoint Dr. Nabila Masoud as Head of the Early Childhood Education Department in the College of Educational Sciences.

Dr. Nabila Saleh Mohammed Masoud is a Yemeni academic residing in Saudi Arabia and holds the rank of Assistant Professor. She holds a doctorate in Curriculum and Teaching Methods from the Islamic University of Minnesota, USA, and a Master's in Curriculum and Teaching Methods from the same university.

Dr. Nabila has authored three published books: The Little Explorer (a scientific series for developing higher-order thinking skills in children), The Smart Strategy for Teaching Children Reading and Writing, and Let's Read (an interactive book for teaching children reading skills).

She has worked as an Assistant Professor of Modern Teaching Strategies in the Department of Curriculum and Teaching Methods, College of Educational Sciences, Islamic University of Minnesota, as an Assistant Professor at Al-Hikma University, and as an Educational Supervisor at Al-Irtiq Schools for Girls in Sana'a, Yemen.

Dr. Nabila is a certified Educational and Family Counselor from Stanford University, USA, a member of the American Canadian Board Association for Professional Training, and a member of Tamkeen Al-Hadf Training and Consulting Institute in Saudi Arabia.

Dr. Nabila Masoud's extensive academic experience, outstanding achievements, and leadership skills make her well-qualified to lead the Early Childhood Education Department at the Islamic University of Minnesota.

## Ten Faculty Members Promoted to Associate Professor



The Office of Academic Affairs at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Campus, is pleased to announce the promotion of ten faculty members to the rank of Associate Professor. This promotion recognizes their distinguished academic careers and commitment to teaching and research.

The ten faculty members are:

- Dr. Khalid Mohamed Ahmed Attia, Associate Professor of Political Science
- Dr. Mohamed Mohamed Tayseer Mohammed Habib Al-Samkari, Associate Professor of Curriculum and Instruction
- Dr. Monir Abdulbari Abdulfattah Abdo, Associate Professor of Information Systems
- Dr. Adam Yaqoub Abker Hamad, Associate Professor of Business Administration
- Dr. Alaa Al Din Ahmed Mohammed Ali,

Associate Professor of Accounting

- Dr. Abu Thar Youssef Ali Ahmed, Associate Professor of Statistics
- Dr. Moez Osman Omar Ali, Associate Professor of Private Law
- Dr. Turki Mohammed Mustafa, Associate Professor of Private Law
- Dr. Abdelbasit Mohammed Sharif Mohammed Musa, Associate Professor of Information Technology
- Dr. Badia Sulaiman Ali Abdalqader, Associate Professor of Political Science.

It is worth noting that these promotions are the result of the efforts of the previous Promotions Committee, which was chaired by Prof. Dr. Suad Beltaji. The Office of Academic Affairs congratulates the ten faculty members on their promotion and wishes them continued success in their academic careers.

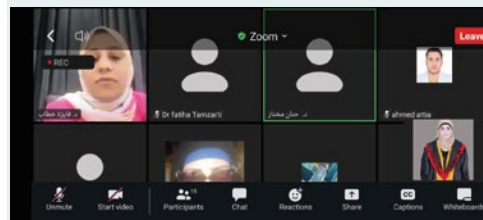
## New Appointments for Department Vice Chairs



As part of its ongoing efforts to develop and enhance academic competencies, the College of Education at our university has announced the appointment of three faculty members to the positions of department vice chairs. These appointments were made during the month of June 2024.

Dr. Ali Mohammed Ahmed Dawahdeh has been appointed as the Vice Chair of the Educational Psychology Department. Dr. Laith Ibrahim Abdulkarim Al-Zawahreh has been appointed as the Vice Chair of the Family Counseling Department. Dr. Tahani Mahmoud Saleh Banat has been appointed as the Vice Chair of the Educational Administration Department.

These developments come within the framework of the continuous efforts of the College of Education to enhance academic excellence and improve the administrative performance in its various departments. The appointment of these three distinguished professors to leadership positions is a recognition of their exceptional efforts and expertise, which we hope will positively reflect on the path of development and advancement of the educational and research services in the college.



## Department of External Relations organizes Introductory Seminar on Diplomatic Qualification Course

The Department of External Relations and International Cooperation at the Islamic University of Minnesota, in cooperation with the Department of Political Science, organized an introductory seminar on the Diplomatic Qualification Course on Friday, June 2024, 28.

The seminar aimed to shed light on the importance of the course, its benefits, the accreditation, and other details, in preparation for the start of the previously announced course.

During the seminar, Dr. Faiza Khattab, Head of the Department of Political Science, spoke about the importance of the training course and its numerous benefits, including obtaining internationally recognized certificates, the possibility of passing the exams of Ministries of Foreign Affairs in any country, the possibility of distinguished diplomatic representation, in addition to refining the skill of diplomatic negotiation among trainees.

Dr. Khattab stressed that the Diplomatic Qualification Course is open to everyone regardless of their specialization, noting that it represents a real academic start for a new specialization, and even the possibility of teaching in the field of this new specialization.

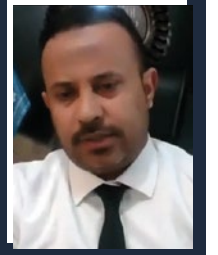
Dr. Hanan Mukhtar, Head of External Relations and International Cooperation at the university, announced that registration for the course is still open to those who wish to do so from academics inside and outside the university.

It is worth noting that the enjoyment of the privileges of the course will be after the completion of the required number for training.



عمادة الدراسات العليا  
الجامعة الإسلامية بـمينسوتا - المركز الرئيسي

## Islamic University of Minnesota Hosts Cultural Evening on the Occasion of the First Ten Days of Dhul Hijjah



Minnesota, June 2024 ,7 - The Dean's Office of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota Main Campus held a cultural evening on the occasion of the first day of the ten days of Dhul Hijjah, targeting graduating students and those nearing graduation.

The evening began with a welcoming speech by the Dean of Graduate Studies, Dr. Hind Saif Al Nasr Ashmawi, followed by a speech by the University's Vice President, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, who praised Dr. Hind and congratulated the graduating students on the end of the summer semester.

Dr. Al-Maqrami emphasized the importance of the role of the student in conveying the message of knowledge to the world, and mentioned that the university administration is harnessing what it has for this student to fulfill the trust. He also praised the position that the university has occupied in terms of the quality of the educational service it provides, confirming that the faculty members are among the most qualified personnel in their specializations.

Dr. Hind then delivered the evening's lecture entitled "How We Can Win the Ten Days of Dhul Hijjah," followed by a "Dialogue with a Graduate" segment with graduate Adala Ibrahim.

The cultural evening concluded with an open meeting between the graduates and Dr. Al-Maqrami, where he answered all the graduates' questions and inquiries and commented on their interventions.

Among the most important things mentioned in the open meeting:

- The story of a student in the College of Media with the Islamic University of Minnesota Main Center, where he decided to study for a master's and doctorate in the field of media after his surprisingly positive impression of the level of study.
- An intervention by the Dean of Academic Affairs, Dr. Osama Abdulrahman, who spoke about the student Adala Ibrahim, who insisted on continuing her studies despite the circumstances of the war in Sudan, confirming that the university pays

great attention to the student even after graduation.

- A thank-you message from the Master's graduate from the Department of Jurisprudence and its Fundamentals, student Abdulrahman Mahmoud, who was accepted to study for a doctorate at the French-Arab African University in the Republic of Mali based on a joint cooperation agreement between the Islamic University of Minnesota and the French-Arab African University.

- A thank-you message from Omar Rizq Allah, a doctoral student, who expressed his hope that the Ministry of Higher Education in Saudi Arabia would approve the graduation documents issued by the university.

- A proposal to create student groups at the university level, and that there be a club for graduates.

Dr. Al-Maqrami responded to Omar Rizq Allah's intervention by focusing on the issue of accreditation in Saudi Arabia, confirming that the university is sparing no effort in this regard and will not spare any effort. He pointed out that many requests come to the university with the aim of verifying the documents of students who have applied for jobs in institutions, and they are accepted based on the university's response to these requests and meeting the necessary data and information.

The Dean of Academic Affairs also commented on what was mentioned in the Vice President's response to Omar Rizq Allah's intervention, confirming that there are prestigious schools in Saudi Arabia that have a list of universities that are welcome for appointment, and that our university is already on some of these lists.

At the end of the evening, one of the students suggested creating student groups at the university level, and that there be a club for graduates. The Vice President responded by talking about the existing Graduate Affairs Association, reminding everyone of its great benefit to graduates in terms of exchanging experiences and benefits that concern their future after graduation.



### Graduate Studies Deanship Issues First Edition of "Rawaq Minnesota" Magazine

Minnesota, June 2024 ,27 - Coinciding with the blessed Eid Al-Adha, the Graduate Studies Deanship at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, issued the first edition of "Rawaq Minnesota" magazine. The magazine was described as a "monthly wall magazine issued by the Graduate Studies Dean's Office - First Edition June 2024."

The magazine is supervised by the university's vice president, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, and is edited by Dr. Hind Saif Al-Nasr Eshmawi. Its first issue includes a variety of Islamic educational materials, diverse in form and content. The table of contents includes: Editorial, Supplication on the Day of Arafat, Verses of the Holy Quran, Reflection on a Verse, Reflection on a Hadith, Excerpts from the Prophet's Biography, Wisdom of the Number, Verses of Poetry, Issue Topic, Reflections on the Names of Allah, Supplications from the Quran, Supplications from the Sunnah, Rhetorical Touches from the Verses of the Holy Quran, Scientific Miracle, Medicine of the Hearts, The Amazing Truth, Graduate Participation, Self-Development, and Magazine Mail.

The magazine was issued in 27 pages with vibrant and elegant attire. It is one of the many activities undertaken by the Graduate Studies Dean's Office under the leadership of Dr. Hind Saif Al-Nasr Eshmawi, Associate Professor at the College of Islamic Studies.



### International Relations and Cooperation Department Achieves Significant Accomplishments in Six Months

Under the leadership of Dr. Hanan Mukhtar, the International Relations and Cooperation Department at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, has achieved significant accomplishments over the past six months.

According to a report issued by the department, six new agreements were signed and six existing agreements were renewed during this period. Additionally, the department conducted 175 faculty and student interactions, held 60 meetings, represented the university at two scientific conferences, organized two workshops on the international identifier for the refereed journal, represented the university at four international events, and prepared and implemented four scientific programs.

It is worth noting that this report covers the period since Dr. Hanan Mukhtar assumed responsibility for the International Relations and Cooperation Department.

During this short period, the department has achieved remarkable success in strengthening the university's international relations and expanding its scientific cooperation. Key achievements include:

- Signing 6 new agreements and renewing 6 existing agreements.
- Conducting 175 faculty and student interactions.
- Holding 60 meetings.
- Representing the university at two scientific conferences.
- Organizing two workshops on the international identifier for the refereed journal.
- Representing the university at four international events.
- Preparing and implementing four scientific programs.

The College of Information Technology at the Islamic University of Minnesota has achieved significant accomplishments during May 2024, according to a visual report issued by the college.

The achievements included the creation of 57 new pages on the university's website, the resolution of 20 programming issues, the addition and updating of 519 elements on the website, and the uploading of 118 news and events to the website. The total working hours amounted to 960 hours.

In detail, the achievements included pages for the colleges (8 colleges), pages for the supporting deanships (7 deanships), pages for the administrative units (6 units), and pages for the centers (5 centers).

The university Vice-Dean, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, praised the report in terms of form and content and called on all colleges, units, and deanships to review the report and follow its example to benefit from its approach.



Deanship of Information Technology  
The Islamic University of Minnesota

### College of Information Technology Achieves Major Accomplishments During May



## Educational Affairs Unit Honors Ideal Secretaries in Joyful Ceremony



عمادة الشؤون الأكاديمية  
الجامعة الإسلامية بنينسوتا

The Educational Affairs Unit under the Deanship of Academic Affairs at the Islamic University of Minnesota celebrated the honoring of ideal secretaries in the university on Friday, June 2024, 14, at 9:00 PM Makkah time.

The ceremony, presented by Ms. Eman Abdulaziz, Secretary of the College of Media, was attended by the University Vice President Dr. Omar Al-Maqrabi and his deputy Dr. Zainab Basiouni, Dean of Academic and Educational Affairs Dr. Osama Abdulrahman, the Student Affairs team, the Virtual Classrooms team, the Control team, and the Media Center team at the university, in addition to a large presence of secretaries of departments and colleges in the general group of secretaries.

The ceremony opened with a welcoming speech delivered by Ms. Dohaa Al-Malki, Secretary of the College of Economics and Administrative Sciences, followed by a recorded speech by the University Vice President, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrabi, in which he thanked the secretaries for their efforts and dedication to completing their tasks, congratulating them on the occasion of the end of the summer semester and the approach of Eid Al-Adha.

The ceremony also included a speech by the Vice President's Deputy Dr. Zainab Basiouni and a speech by the Dean of Academic Affairs Dr. Osama Abdulrahman Awf, where both thanked the secretaries and assistants for their great role in facilitating the educational process.

The highlight of the ceremony was the distribution of certificates of appreciation to the ideal secretaries, where a certificate of appreciation was published for each ideal secretary for each of the seven colleges, accompanied by a preface of praise and commendation written by the college secretary, followed by words of thanks, gratitude, and praise from the Director of Educational Affairs Dr. Jumana Al-Kharashi.

The following secretaries won the title of ideal secretary in the summer semester, preceded by the names of departments, colleges, and stages:

- From the College of Arts and Humanities: Ms. Samira Al-Saghir, Secretary of the Department of Arabic Language at the Master's level.
- From the College of Media: Ms. Eman Sabri, Secretary of the Department of Media and Public Relations at the Master's level.

- From the College of Computer and Information Technology: Ms. Noha Saleh Qutran, Secretary of the Department of Administrative Information Systems at the Bachelor's level.

- From the College of Educational Sciences: Ms. Khadija Mukhtar, Secretary of the Department of Curriculum and Teaching Methods at the Master's and PhD levels.

- From the College of Economics and Administrative Sciences: Ms. Aya Saeed Al-Sharqawi, Secretary of the Department of Business Administration at the PhD level.

- From the College of Sharia and Law: Ms. Walaa Wael, Secretary of the Department of Law at the Master's level.

- From the College of Islamic Studies: Ms. Amina Ali Saleh, Secretary of the Department of Islamic Studies in English at the Bachelor's level.

The ceremony was supervised by the Director of the Educational Affairs Unit, Dr. Jumana Al-Kharashi, and Ms. Dohaa Al-Malki was in charge of the technical supervision, while Ms. Eman Abdulaziz was in charge of the design and editing. The secretaries of the colleges covered the ceremony in the media groups of the departments and colleges, and Ms. Mariam Mohammed Amr was the only one who wrote the media report.

The ideal secretaries expressed their joy at this appreciation and honor in their posts commenting on the ceremony and thanked the university for the opportunity it gave them to engage in this unique and wonderful experience.

At the end of the ceremony, the Educational Affairs Unit honored the administrative units that cooperated with it to complete the work, namely the Virtual Classrooms Unit, the Undergraduate Student Affairs Unit, the Graduate Student Affairs Unit, and the Control Affairs Unit, where the directors of these units expressed their happiness at this honor, with kind words included in their posts that they wrote after the ceremony.

Dr. Jumana Al-Kharashi concluded the ceremony by thanking her cooperative team and mentioned by name Dohaa Al-Malki, Eman Abdulaziz, Nada Al-Najjar, Amina Ali, and Khadija Radman.



## Graduate Studies Affairs Unit Honors Ideal Students

The Graduate Studies Affairs Unit held a special ceremony to honor ideal students in the summer semester, with the attendance of a large number of university officials, deans, heads of departments, faculty members, trustees, assistants, and students.

The ceremony was opened with a speech by the Director of the Unit, Professor Amina Adel, who praised the ethics and hard work of the ideal students, describing them as "individuals of high morals who have worked diligently and tirelessly to advance their knowledge and beloved university."

Many university officials participated in congratulating the ideal students, including the Vice President of the University, Dr. Zainab Basiouni, who said: "Millions of congratulations to our ideal students, may you continue with this honorable energy, and our constant prayers for you and all our students for excellence and advancement."

The Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration also congratulated the ideal students, wishing them further success and excellence.

The number of ideal students reached 31, including 25 master's students and 6 doctoral students. They were honored from various departments, including:

- Department of Jurisprudence and its Fundamentals

- Department of Accounting
- Department of Sunnah
- Department of Business Administration
- Department of Creed and Contemporary Schools of Thought
- Department of Educational Administration
- Department of Educational Psychology
- Department of Law
- Department of Islamic History and Civilization
- Department of Networks and Cybersecurity
- Department of Data and Artificial Intelligence
- Department of Media and Public Relations
- Department of Islamic Economics
- Department of Family Guidance
- Department of Arabic Language
- Department of English Language
- Department of Islamic Studies (English)
- Department of Da'wah and Islamic Culture
- Department of Management Information Systems
- Department of Judiciary and Islamic Politics
- Department of Quran and its Sciences
- Department of Political Science
- Department of Curricula and Teaching Methods

The ceremony concluded with the distribution of certificates of appreciation to the ideal students, reaffirming the importance of their role in motivating their colleagues and striving for excellence and advancement.



## College Administrative Affairs Unit Discusses Important Initiatives

The College Administrative Affairs Unit, chaired by Dr. Nourhan Salama, held a meeting on Monday, June 2024, 20, at 9:00 PM Makkah time. The meeting brought together administrative affairs officials from various colleges to discuss important initiatives and updates.

Dr. Salama discussed the workflow of administrative affairs staff in the colleges, emphasizing the need to ensure smooth and efficient operations. An initiative was proposed to honor faculty members, with a decision to follow up on the recognition model with the media center.

Coordination was made to publish administrative instructions for faculty members regarding exams, and attendees participated in drafting these instructions, which were then published in the relevant groups. Additionally, it was agreed to publish exam schedules in the department groups after obtaining them from the control room, which was subsequently done.

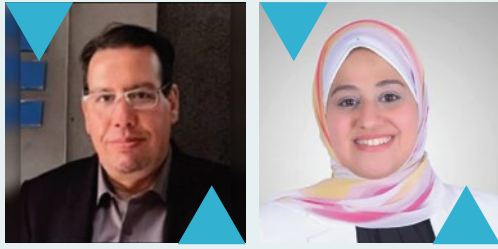
Dr. Salama stressed the need to periodically remind faculty members of any administrative announcements sent to them in each college's groups. She also set a deadline for each administrative officer to submit the monthly report.

The officials were reminded of the colleges' quarterly achievement files and the need to upload them at the end of each semester to each college's page on the university's official website, which has already been done.

The meeting touched on the need to follow up on the archiving of administrative affairs, update the database continuously, transfer the files of resigned faculty members to the resigned folder, identify appointment decisions that need to be renewed, and send them to the Faculty Affairs Deanship.

Dr. Salama affirmed her commitment to sharing links to important training courses in the College Administrative Affairs Unit group to invite officials to attend. In addition, she will coordinate with Mr. Moatasem Faez, Director of the Training Center, to provide or attend more professional development opportunities.

The meeting was attended by Dr. Nourhan Salama, Professor Hanadi Abdullah, Dr. Badia Abdulqader, Professor Amal Mohammed Qasem, Ms. Banan Saif Al-Maqrabi, and Mr. Taher Alwan.



## Political Studies Unit Holds First Meeting

The Political Studies Unit, affiliated with the Center for Academic Studies at the College of Arts and Humanities at the Islamic University of Minnesota, held its first meeting in the presence of Dr. Ismail Hamed, Dean of the College and Head of the Center, Dr. Osama Abdulrahman Aouf, Dean of Academic Affairs at the University, and Dr. Faiza Khattab, Head of the Department of Political Science at the College, in addition to faculty members in the Department of Political Science.

The meeting began with a welcome speech by Dr. Khaled Mohammed Atiya, Head of the Political Studies Unit, followed by a speech by Dr. Faiza Khattab, Head of the Department of Political Science, in which she praised the efforts made to launch the unit and stressed the importance of the combined efforts of the trainers affiliated with the unit for its success.

Dr. Ismail Hamed gave a speech in which he highlighted the importance of the Political Studies Unit and praised the leadership of the unit, trainers, and faculty members in the Department of Political Science. He discussed with the attendees the objectives of the unit, the diplomas and courses that it will implement, and the scientific and financial benefits of it.

The Dean stressed the need to specialize in giving diplomas and courses, naming and distributing the axes temporally, and appointing three advisors by the head of the unit. He ordered the Center for Academic Studies to be provided with the diplomas and courses by the trainers affiliated with the unit. Hamed discussed the great benefits of establishing the Political Studies Unit and the Center for Academic Studies, especially the financial return on faculty members, students, trainees, and those interested from outside the university. He called for the inclusion of all faculty members who wish to join the unit to offer courses according to their specialization and experience.

The meeting concluded with a speech by the Head of the Department of Political Science, Dr. Faiza Khattab, in which she renewed her praise for the faculty members and trainers and commended the proposals and files that were discussed. It is worth noting that the administrative structure of the Political Studies Unit consists of:

1. Head of the Unit: Dr. Khaled Mohammed Atiya
2. Assistant to the President: Dr. Bahaa Aldin Khalaf Allah
3. Advisory Member: Dr. Faiza Mohammed Khattab

The training team includes:

1. Dr. Howayda Mohammed Abdulmoneim
2. Dr. Mohamed Mohammed Maghawri
3. Dr. Asaad Al-Fahd
4. Dr. Salahuddin Mahmoud
5. Dr. Hind Mahrous Al-Jaldawi
6. Dr. Hanadi Al-Saeed
7. Dr. Ahmed Lutfi Al-Sayed
8. Dr. Moataz Mohammed
9. Dr. Hadi Barham
10. Dr. Afifa Belaid



## Center for Languages and Translation Organizes English and Spanish Courses



Minnesota, July 2024 ,3 - The Center for Languages and Translation at the Islamic University of Minnesota, main center, organized a new introductory course in English, starting from Sunday, June 2023 ,23, at 9:00 PM Mecca time. This course provided a free opportunity to build language skills through five lectures delivered by a specialized English language instructor. The course focused on spoken English skills, enhanced by practical exercises and conversations to increase confidence in using the language. The course featured diverse educational resources and interaction with colleagues from various backgrounds. The distinguished Dr. Ibrahim Salem was chosen to deliver the lectures, and the course was conducted on June 30 ,27 ,25 ,23, with the final lecture on July 2024 ,2.

It is worth noting that Dr. Ibrahim Salem is a writer, critic, translator, and editor. He holds a Master's degree in English Language and Literature with distinction and a PhD in English Language and Literature with distinction and first-class honors. He has decades of experience in teaching English and has conducted 40 training courses in language, computer science, and management. He has published numerous books at universities in Egypt, Germany, England, and the United States.

On the other hand, and in a related context, the Center for Languages and Translation launched a

level three course in Spanish language courses starting from Wednesday, July 2024 ,3. The distinguished Dr. Ali El-Shuboul was chosen to deliver the course lectures.

The Center for Languages and Translation at the Islamic University of Minnesota, main campus, had previously organized a mini-introductory course in Spanish on Thursday and Saturday, June 27 and 2024 ,29, from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Mecca time.

A source at the Center for Languages said at the time that the two lectures delivered by the distinguished Dr. Ali El-Shuboul, Director of the Latin Studies Unit, were a summary of two previous courses conducted in the basics of Spanish language A1 and A2. These two lectures were conducted in the context of preparing and equipping students to participate in the level three B1 course.

Dr. Ali El-Shuboul said that teaching Spanish comes in light of the orientations of the Latin American Studies Unit at the Center for Academic Studies affiliated with the College of Arts and Humanities, one of whose early projects is to prepare researchers in the fields of Latin America and related fields.

It is worth mentioning that the Center for Languages and Translation has previously organized educational courses in several languages, including English, French, Spanish, and Arabic for non-native speakers.



## Impact of Islamic University of Minnesota Reaches Across the Globe



In a press release issued by the Director of Student Affairs at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, Mr. Suleiman Maqbool, emphasized that the university's impact and influence have extended to all corners of the world.

In a post marking the end of the summer semester and the approaching Eid al-Adha holiday, Maqbool addressed the university's academic and administrative staff, emphasizing that "your fingerprints have extended to every continent." He expressed his happiness at the positive impact of the university he witnessed during his Umrah pilgrimage last year, where students from various nationalities welcomed him in every province of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Maqbool praised outstanding examples of Saudi businessmen, most notably the owner of the "Bukhara Restaurants" chain, which has expanded to Turkey, Dubai, Egypt, and other Gulf countries. He made sure to attend lectures like any other student.

He concluded his statement by praying for the university's vice president, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrabi, that Allah would grant him success in raising the university's global standing, emphasizing that every member of the university is required to be a support for him in achieving this goal.