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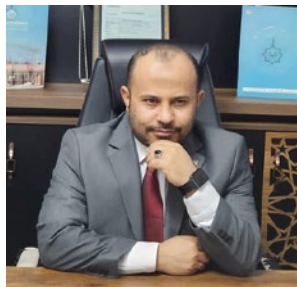


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## New Electronic Portal Under Development by the IT Department



**University Vice President: Our goal is to make our system one of the most efficient educational electronic systems at the university level**

Dr. Omar Ahmed Al-Maqrami, Vice President of the Islamic University of Minnesota and Head of the Main Center, announced a new technical project being developed by the IT Department aimed at improving the administrative efficiency of the university, specifically the "new electronic portal for the academic system." In a statement published in the administrative units group on WhatsApp, Dr. Al-Maqrami urged relevant departments to coordinate with the IT Department by providing a detailed explanation of their operations and the services they wish to offer through the portal. He praised the undergraduate student affairs department, describing it as "always proactive" under the leadership of Mr. Suleiman, noting that this department has completed outlining its needs for the new portal through ongoing communication with the technical affairs officer for the university's official website.

Dr. Al-Maqrami also encouraged department heads to approach this project "with enthusiasm, ambition, and a desire for development," emphasizing the importance of taking this matter seriously. He requested that all departments, including those working outside the portal, provide a vision of how operations will function within the

portal and what they hope to achieve.

Additionally, Dr. Al-Maqrami proposed that the IT Department, led by Ms. Marwa Qassem Abdul-Was'eh, conduct a survey to gather user feedback from students and faculty. This survey would be designed and shared with the Student Affairs Department and the Faculty Affairs Department for follow-up. He noted that the current portal had been enhanced with features suggested by students and faculty members.

In conclusion, Dr. Al-Maqrami affirmed that the goal is to make the university's electronic system one of the most efficient educational systems in the world, serving all members of this esteemed institution. He stressed that this goal can only be achieved through cooperation and integration among all parties.

For his part, Engineer Ali Mustafa, the technical affairs officer for the university's official website, stated that any department director should inform him of their tasks, as the IT Department can streamline the process so that all tasks can be completed with a single click. He expressed his readiness to answer any technical questions related to university operations, assuring that the IT team would provide the necessary support to facilitate their work.

## Ismail Hamed Represents the University at Two International Conferences



international conferences.

At the international scientific conference organized by the Institute of African Studies at the University of Basel, Dr. Ismail presented a paper titled "The Image of Hero in the Medieval Darfur Society." This invitation was extended based on the university's knowledge of his specialization in African studies and the history of Islam in sub-Saharan Africa.

Dr. Ismail emphasized his commitment to representing the Islamic University of Minnesota in all conference-related documents and activities, highlighting the importance of mentioning the university's name at every opportunity. He provided us with several documents, including the conference program listing the participants and the official invitation from the University of Basel.

Later, Dr. Ismail also participated in the first international conference titled "Pedagogies of Violence in the Contemporary World," organized by the Moroccan Organization for the Protection and Care of Childhood in partnership with the International Impact Academy. Dr. Ismail chaired the second session of the first day of the conference, held on July 21 and 22, 2024.

These participations reflect the university's efforts to enhance its academic presence at international conferences and seminars, with Dr. Ismail previously representing the university at conferences and lectures in Kuwait and Morocco.

With official invitations from the University of Basel in Switzerland and a Moroccan organization, Dr. Ismail Hamed, Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities, participated in two distinguished



## Sixth Issue of the Minnesota International Journal of Academic Studies Published

The Islamic University of Minnesota, main center released the sixth issue of the second volume of the peer-reviewed quarterly journal, the Minnesota International Journal of Academic Studies, on Tuesday, July 2024 ,6. This issue corresponds to June 2024.

The -258page issue features ten peer-reviewed articles in various fields, including education, literature, administration, history, and culture. These articles were written by 15 researchers: two from Palestine, two from Sudan, two from Qatar, two from Egypt, two from Yemen, two from Iraq, and one each from the United States, Jordan, and the United Kingdom.

The first article, titled "Challenges Facing the Teaching of Arabic to Non-Native Speakers and Proposed Strategies," was authored by four researchers: Professor Hanan Sobhi Obaid from the United Kingdom, Associate Professor Dr. Taqi Al-Din Abdulbasit Al-Tamimi from Palestine, Assistant Professor Dr. Badi'a Sulaiman Ali from Sudan, and Dr. Abdo Nasr al-Silani from Yemen.

The second article, the only one published in English, is titled "The Impact of Learners' Online Oral Presentations in Developing EFL Distance Learners' Speaking Skills: Learners' Perspective." This research was conducted by Ali Ahmed Suleiman from Sudan.

The third article, titled "The Implicit Cultural Systems in Hayat Amin's Novel 'Pearls from Rubble,'" was written by Dr. Abdo Abdulkarim Abdullah Maqbool from Yemen. The fourth article, titled "Iraqi Universities and the Culture of Tolerance: Roles and Impacts," was authored by researcher Professor Zaher Mohsen Hani

al-Jubouri from Iraq. The fifth article, titled "Artificial Intelligence and Its Uses in Education: The State of Qatar as a Model," was written by three researchers: Dr. Fatima Abdulrahman al-Maraghi from Qatar, Dr. Mohammed Raed Al-Mousili from Jordan, and Dr. Khair Yahya Musaleha from the United States.

The sixth article, titled "The Impact of Emotional Intelligence on Job Performance: A Case Study of a Government Organization in the State of Qatar," was authored by Dr. Thamer Mohammed Maharmeh from Qatar. The seventh article, titled "The Practices of the Strategic Planning Manager and Their Impact on the Efficiency of Modern Institutions - An Analytical Study," was written by Assistant Professor Dr. Mohammed Kamal Shaaban from Egypt. The eighth article, titled "The Role of Heritage Industries in Preserving Nubian Identity from the Perspective of Teamwork," was authored by Ahmed Mahmoud Hassan Bakkar from Egypt. The ninth article, titled "The Religious Reformation Movement in Europe 1648-1517: The Lutheran Movements as a Model," was written by Professor Yusuf Abbas Niama from Iraq. Finally, the tenth article, titled "The Pioneering Role of Hassan bin Al-Nu'man al-Azdi in the Conquest and Arabization of Morocco - A Descriptive Analytical Study 73H/692M - 85H/704M," was authored by Professor Yusuf Abbas Niama from Iraq.

It is worth noting that the journal has an online platform on the university's official website where each issue is uploaded. The link is: <https://site.ium.edu.so/issues-of-the-magazine>



### Islamic University of Minnesota Opens Da'wah Center and Announces its Management Structure

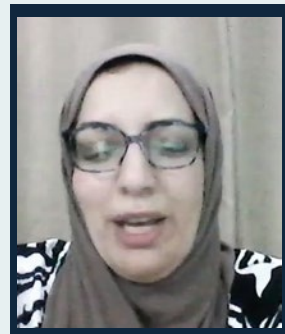
During the New Student Welcome Ceremony, the Islamic University of Minnesota, the main center, announced the opening of the Da'wah Center and the appointment of Dr. Manal Mustafa as its director.

The announcement of the new center and its administrative structure came during the New Student Reception held on Wednesday, July 2024 ,10.

The administrative structure of the center consists of Dr. Manal Mustafa - director of the center, Dr. Taha Hussein Al-Jawhari - deputy director of the center, Dr. Mohammed Al-Shoqairi - member, Dr. Ibrahim Salem - member, Dr. Idris Abdulrahman - member, and Dr. Seham Abdulbaqi - secretary.

Dr. Zainab Ali Bassiouni, Vice President of the University, commented on the opening of the center: "We congratulate ourselves and our esteemed students on the inauguration of the Islamic Dawa Center, which takes upon itself the task of spreading the Islamic call in English in addition to the Arabic language. We pray to Allah Almighty for the center's success."

The Da'wah Center is the sixth center to be established at the university, joining the previous five centers: The Media Center, the Training, Development and Community Programs Center, the Manuscripts and Heritage Revival Center, the Language and Translation Center, and the Academic Studies Center.



### Islamic University of Minnesota welcomes its new students

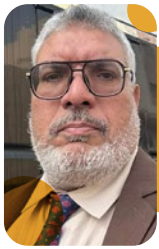
On Wednesday, July 2024 ,10, the Islamic University of Minnesota, the main center, celebrated the reception of its new students for the new academic year 2025/2024, in the presence of more than 270 guests.

The ceremony, which was moderated by Ms. Iman Abdulaziz, witnessed the recitation of verses from the Holy Qur'an, and welcoming speeches from the Vice Vice Provost Dr. Zeinab Bassiouni, Dean of the College of Islamic Studies Dr. Abdulrazek Al-Bakri, and Deputy Head of the Department of Arabic Language Dr. Ali El-Shboul.

The ceremony included a presentation of the university, its faculties, departments, academic, training and development centers, in addition to certificates for successful students and graduates. A video introducing the assistant secretaries for new students, student affairs services and the Deanship of Postgraduate Studies was also shown.

The ceremony also witnessed the announcement of the opening of the university's Call Center, which aims to support the university's vision and promote its mission.

Attendees expressed their happiness and admiration for this wonderful university event.



## Faculty of Educational Sciences Council Discusses Promotions with University Vice President

Minnesota, July 2024 ,3 : The Faculty of Educational Sciences Council at the Islamic University of Minnesota held its regular meeting chaired by Dr. Abdullah Abdunabi, Dean of the Faculty and Chairman of the Council, and in the presence of the University Vice President and Head of the Main Center, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrani.

At the beginning of the meeting, Dr. Abdullah Abdunabi welcomed the University Vice President, who responded to the welcome by praising the efforts of the Dean, members of the Faculty Council, Heads of Departments and their deputies, the College's Vice Dean, and the Head of Administrative Affairs in the College, Dr. Nourhan Salama.

The Dean of the Faculty opened the discussion on the subject of promotions in the Faculty, leaving the floor open for the Heads of Departments to present their proposals.

Dr. Hiba Abu Ayyada, Head of the Educational Administration Department, proposed the formation of an internal arbitration committee for promotions instead of external examiners, with fees for arbitration, and that the arbitration of applications for faculty members in the college be done free of charge through an internal committee.

The University Vice President welcomed the proposal for the internal committee, to be presented to the Council of Deans of Faculties for discussion. Regarding the promotions of the Faculty of Educational Sciences, the Vice President explained that he will coordinate with the Dean on the formation of a committee headed by the

Dean of the Faculty and including members with scientific ranks from within the Faculty, which will be linked to the Central Promotions Committee. Al-Maqrani expressed his constant readiness to listen to any proposals or problems related to the Faculty, noting the need for a continuous media publicity program for the Faculty's departments.

Dr. Anas Nawafleh, Head of the Department of Educational Psychology, presented other proposals, including the establishment of paid conferences for a nominal fee for students, and the publication of faculty research in the university's journal as a form of incentive.

At the end of the meeting, Dr. Laith Zawahreh, Vice President of the Department of Family Counseling, welcomed the University Vice President, thanking him for his efforts, the Dean's efforts, and the efforts of the Head of Administrative Affairs, Dr. Nourhan Salama.

The meeting was attended, in addition to the University Vice President Dr. Omar Al-Maqrani and the Dean of the Faculty of Educational Sciences Dr. Abdullah Abdunabi, by:

- Dr. Hiba Abu Ayyada, Head of the Educational Administration Department
- Dr. Anas Nawafleh, Head of the Department of Educational Psychology
- Dr. Laith Al-Zawahreh, Vice President of the Department of Family Counseling
- Dr. Intisar Al-Shraida, Head of the Department of Educational Technology
- Dr. Nourhan Salama, Director of Administrative Affairs in the College



## College of Arts and Humanities Council Discusses Plans for the New Year

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The College of Arts and Humanities Council at the Islamic University of Minnesota's main center held its regular meeting on Friday, July ,12 2024, one day before the start of the first semester of the new academic year 2025/2024. The meeting was chaired by Dr. Ismail Hamed, Dean of the College and Chair of the Council, and attended by Dr. Mohamed Tawfik Abdel Rahim, Vice Dean of the College.

At the beginning of the meeting, Dr. Ismail Hamed welcomed the heads of departments and their deputies, thanking them for their contributions during the previous semesters. He then congratulated Dr. Khaled Al-Shahawi on his appointment as Head of the English Department, wishing him success in his new role.

Dr. Hamed then addressed the other heads of departments, urging them to give their best efforts to ensure the educational process runs smoothly. He also emphasized the importance of avoiding any problems that might hinder the teaching process, through continuous follow-up and coordination with faculty members.

Dr. Hamed specifically mentioned the common problems related to compensatory lectures, stressing that the full responsibility lies with the head of the department to follow up on professors, ensure their attendance, and confirm the completion of lectures on time. He reminded the heads of departments that in case of any emergency that prevents the lecture from being delivered on time, the compensatory lecture must be conducted in the same week it was missed, in coordination with the doctor and the audio-visual unit.

Regarding students, Dr. Ismail Hamed emphasized the need to submit assignments on time, and to work on reducing and diversifying them at the same time. He also emphasized the importance of intensifying activities within departments, activating departmental councils, holding regular meetings, focusing on publishing in refereed journals, working as a team, and forming successful work teams.

After opening the floor for discussion, the heads of departments spoke in turn, each presenting the main features of their department's plan for the new year in general, and the first semester in particular, as well as how to face the challenges that the department may face during this semester.

The meeting was attended by Dr. Osama Abdulrahman, Head of the Arabic Language Department, Dr. Siham Abdulbaqi, Head of the History Department, Dr. Faiza Khattab, Head of the Political Science Department, Dr. Khaled Al-Shahawi, Head of the English Department, Dr. Ali El-Shboul, Deputy Head of the Arabic Language Department, and Mr. Taher Alwan, Head of Administrative Affairs in the College.



## College of Computer Science Discusses Preparations for the First Semester

The College of Computer Science and Information Technology held a meeting headed by the Dean of the College, Dr. Monir Abdulbari, on Friday, June 2024 ,28, at 10:00 PM Mecca time.

During the meeting, the council discussed the college's preparations for the first semester, including holding three meetings for each department: a meeting for members of the department council, a meeting for faculty members in the department, and a meeting for students in the department to welcome them.

The meeting also discussed the postgraduate studies plan for the Department of Computer Science, the circular "Delegation of Faculty Members between Departments", and the plan for the first technical camp, which will be launched soon.

The meeting was attended by - in addition to the Dean of the College Dr. Munir Abdulbari - Dr. Salah Alawi, Vice Dean of the College and Head of the Department of Networks and Cybersecurity, Dr. Saleh Al-Rayashi, Head of the Department of Information Systems, Dr. Mohammad Habib Al-Samkari, Head of the Department of Artificial Intelligence and Data Analysis, Dr. Diya Al-Haq Isa Hamed, Head of the Department of Computer Science, Dr. Samar Yamani, Deputy Head of the Department of Networks and Cybersecurity, and Dr. Hani Mohammed Al-Hobi, Deputy Head of the Department of Computer Science.



## Dean of the Faculty of Sharia and Law Holds Meeting of the College Council

On Sunday, June 2024 ,30, the Dean of the Faculty of Sharia and Law at the Regional University, Dr. Muzahim Tariq Al-Mustafa, held a meeting of the College Council. All members of the Council attended the meeting, and several matters related to preparations for the first semester of the current academic year 2025-2024 were discussed.

During the meeting, the Dean emphasized the importance of developing a clear curriculum plan, in line with the plan approved by the University and applied in most universities around the world. He also stressed the necessity of faculty members meeting the applicable requirements and obtaining the approval of the Deanship of Faculty Affairs before being accepted.

One of the most prominent agreements reached during the meeting was that postgraduate students' research at the Faculty of Sharia and Law would be peer-reviewed and then published in the peer-reviewed Sharia and Law Journal of the College.



## Khaled Al-Shahawi Appointed as Head of the Department of English Language and Literature

His Excellency Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, Vice President of the Islamic University of Minnesota and Head of the Main Center, issued a decision to appoint Dr. Khaled Al-Qutb Al-Shahawi as Head of the Department of English Language and Literature, on Sunday, July 2024, 7.

Dr. Khaled Al-Shahawi holds a Ph.D. in English Language (Applied Linguistics - Teaching English as a Foreign Language) from Mansoura University - Egypt, a Master of Arts (Applied Linguistics - Teaching English as a Foreign Language) from Northumbria University - England, a Master of Arts in English Language from the University (IUM) with an excellent grade of (4.5), a General Diploma in Teacher Preparation in English Language Literature from Ain Shams University - Egypt, a Special Diploma in Teaching English Language from Tanta University - Egypt, and a Bachelor of Arts and Education in English Language from Tanta University - Egypt.

Dr. Al-Shahawi has extensive practical experience, including working at the Islamic University of Minnesota in the United States of America, Distance Learning Branch, to teach undergraduate and graduate students specializing in English literature from 2021 to the present, and teaching English language skills at the Deanship of the Preparatory Year at Prince Sattam bin Abdulaziz University in Saudi Arabia from 2020/9/1 to 2021. Dr. Al-Shahawi also possesses many skills, including the ability to speak both Arabic and English fluently, the ability to deal with computer programs

with high efficiency, and the ability to be creative and work with the university in a spirit of participation.

In his first reaction to the appointment decision, Dr. Al-Shahawi said: "I am pleased to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Dr. Rahab Samir for what she has offered throughout her presidency of the department, and I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to His Excellency the Vice President of the University Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, and His Excellency the Vice President of the University Dr. Zainab Ali, and His Excellency the Dean of the College Dr. Ismail Hamed for honoring me by appointing me as Head of the English Language Department at the Islamic University, and I ask God Almighty to help us bear the responsibility with my colleagues, members of the faculty in the department, to reach what they all aspire to in our blessed educational edifice."

The Islamic University Media Center published a picture of a certificate of appreciation awarded by the university administration to Dr. Rahab Samir, the former head of the department, which expressed its "sincere thanks and deep appreciation to Dr. Rahab Samir for her distinguished giving and the great efforts she made in the presidency of the Department of English Language and Literature, which contributed significantly to laying the foundations



## Sherin Mamoun Chairs Three Meetings at College of Economics and Business

Dr. Sherin Mamoun, Dean of the College of Economics and Business, held a meeting with the college students on Friday, July 2024, 12, prior to the start of the first semester of the 2025-2024 academic year. The meeting was attended by the college vice dean, Dr. Hayam Al-Zoabi, the administrative affairs officer, Ms. Banan Saif, and the college secretary, Ms. Dhoha Al-Mulqi.

The dean opened the meeting by welcoming the students and faculty members, offering advice on the importance of attending lectures and active participation. She reviewed the attendance policy, grading distribution, and highlighted the importance of graduate students contributing their research to the college's peer-reviewed journal.

Dr. Hayam Al-Zoabi also welcomed everyone and encouraged students to work hard and study diligently. Students engaged by asking questions and making suggestions, which were discussed before the dean concluded the meeting by thanking everyone for their attendance and wishing them a successful semester.

In a related context, the faculty of the college held a meeting on Wednesday, July 2024, 10, chaired by Dr. Sherin Mamoun. The meeting focused on preparations for

the upcoming semester, emphasizing the need for faculty members to be present in their respective WhatsApp groups and to provide course materials. The university system and study mechanisms were also discussed. Attendees included Dr. Hayam Al-Zoabi, Dr. Mohammed Younis, Head of the Business Administration Department, Dr. Mohamed Qurashi, Deputy Head of the Accounting Department, and other faculty members. Dr. Sherin also discussed the second issue of the (Journal of Economics and Business) and encouraged faculty participation, noting that the first issue would be published soon.

One day prior to the faculty meeting, the college council held its first meeting for the semester, where the dean discussed several proposals, including the organization of an international conference and a training course for students, as well as a proposal to change the name of the (Islamic Economics Department) to (Department of Economics and Islamic Banking). It was agreed to move forward with this proposal, along with discussions on updating the curricula. Dr. Sherin concluded the meeting by thanking the council members, who expressed their appreciation for this fruitful meeting.



## Appointment of Hamida as Director of Human Resources and Personnel Affairs Unit

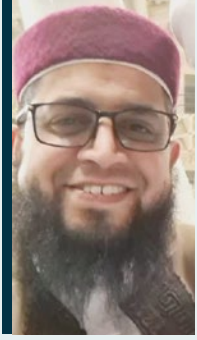
His Excellency the Vice President of the Islamic University of Minnesota, Head of the Main Center, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, issued a decision to appoint Dr. Mohammed Younis Hamida as Director of the Human Resources and Personnel Affairs Unit at the university.

Dr. Mohammed Younis Hamida holds a PhD in Business Administration (2009), a Master's degree in Factory Management (2008), a Master's degree in Business Administration (2005), a Bachelor's degree in Commerce from Cairo University (1997), and a Bachelor's degree in Law from Cairo University (2017).

In addition, Dr. Mohammed Younis holds an MBA from the American University (2017), a Diploma in Marketing and E-Commerce from Cairo University, a Diploma in Customer Service from the American University, and a Diploma in Human Resources from the American University.

Dr. Younis has training courses in (Japanese Kaizen Continuous Improvement - Performance Indicators kpis - Retail Operations Management) and is a certified trainer in (Marketing - Sales - Electronic Marketing - Customer Service - Human Development TOT). He also holds a Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration from the Faculty of Law, Ain Shams University.

Finally, Dr. Hamida is a legal and administrative consultant, a marketing expert, a member of the American Trade Club, and has numerous publications in the field of management, marketing, and human resources.



## Abduljalil Mahdi Receives Doctorate in Quranic Studies

Researcher Abduljalil Mahdi Abduljalil has earned his doctorate in Quranic Studies after successfully defending his thesis in a public discussion held on Wednesday, Muharram 1446, 11 AH, corresponding to July 2024, 17, at 8:30 PM Mecca time.

The discussion focused on his thesis titled "Guidance on the Four Additional Readings Beyond the Ten According to Abu Jaafar Al-Nahhas from Surah Al-Fatiha to Surah Al-A'raf," conducted under the supervision of the Deanship of Graduate Studies and Scientific Research at the Islamic University of Minnesota, within the Department of Quranic Studies.

The discussion committee consisted of Dr. Walid Idris Al-Munisi, President of the Islamic University of Minnesota, who served as the supervisor and rapporteur; Dr. Ziad Ahmad Al-Hajj, Head of the Recitations Department at the University of Jinan in Lebanon and a faculty member at the Islamic University of Minnesota, who served as an internal examiner; and Dr. Abdul Fattah Mohammed Khadr, Dean of the College of Quranic Studies at Al-Azhar University, who acted as an external examiner.

On this occasion, the administration of the Islamic University of Minnesota extends its heartfelt congratulations to researcher Abduljalil Mahdi on obtaining his doctorate, wishing him continued success and achievement in his academic and professional journey.



## Researcher Earns PhD in Educational Administration

Minnesota, July 2024, 24: Researcher Ahmed Ali Dalih obtained his PhD in Educational Administration from the Department of Educational Administration in the College of Education at the Islamic University of Minnesota, main center, after a public discussion of his thesis titled "A Proposed Vision for Solving Educational Planning Problems for Public School Principals in the Capital of Djibouti".

The discussion was broadcast live via the ZOOM application and through the live broadcast service on the university's official Facebook page. It was held under the supervision of the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, main campus, on Tuesday, July 2024, 23, at 10:00 PM Mecca Time.

The discussion committee was chaired by Dr. Hiba Tawfiq Abu Ayyada, Head of the Department of Educational Administration at the Islamic University of Minnesota, as supervisor, and included Dr. Anas Udeibat, a faculty member at the Islamic University of Minnesota, as an internal examiner, and Prof. Dr. Abdullah Abdalnabi, General Supervisor of the Higher Institute of Design Proportionality in Madinah, as an external examiner.



## Doctoral Degree in Arabic Language Awarded to Abdulghani Fareh

A student of Arabic language, Abdulghani Ali Fareh, has been awarded a doctoral degree in Arabic Language, following the successful defense of his dissertation titled "The Orientalists' Stance on the Originality of Arabic Grammar - A Critical Grammatical Study".

This decision was made by an academic committee chaired by Dr. Osama Abdulrahman Awf, Head of the Arabic Language Department at the Islamic University of Minnesota.

The public defense of the dissertation took place on Thursday, July 2024, 11, at 10:00 PM Makkah time, under the supervision of the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, College of Arts and Humanities - Department of Arabic Language and Literature.

The defense committee consisted of: Dr. Osama Abdulrahman Awf as the chair, Dr. Asmaa Al-Bashir Muhammad as the supervisor, Dr. Isa Hassan Abdulhameed Abu Sarour as the internal examiner, and Dr. Ahmed Abdulshafi Zahrani as the external examiner.



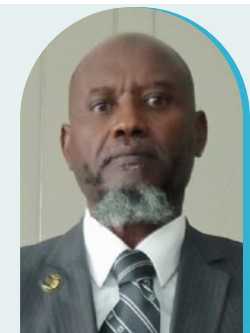
## Researcher Shawqi Thabet Awarded Doctorate in Accounting

In a public defense session, the dissertation committee chaired by Dr. Shireen Mamoun Saiyd Ahmed, Head of the Accounting Department at the Islamic University of Minnesota, decided to award the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Accounting to researcher Shawqi Saeed Qasem Thabet.

The defense took place on Wednesday, August 2022, 31, at 9 PM Mecca time, in the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the University.

The dissertation committee consisted of Dr. Al-Sadiq Babakr, the thesis supervisor and faculty member at the university, Professor Dr. Al-Hadi Adam Mohammed Ibrahim, the external examiner and Director of the University of Nilein, and Dr. Mohammed Abdulrahman, the internal examiner and faculty member at the Islamic University of Minnesota.

Researcher Shawqi Saeed Qasem Thabit's dissertation, titled "The Application of Electronic Systems and its Impact on Internal Audit Performance - A Theoretical and Field Study on Hayel Saeed Anam Industrial Companies", addressed an important topic in the field of accounting.



## Department of Quran Approves Research Plan

The Department of Quran and its Sciences at the Islamic University of Minnesota has approved a research plan prepared by researcher Mamadou Sila to study "Contributions of Italian Orientalists to Quranic Studies - An Analytical, Critical, and Evaluative Study."

The plan was approved following a seminar session held by the university's Graduate Studies Deanship on Monday, July 2024, 8. The session included a discussion of the plan in the presence of a scientific committee headed by Dr. Abdulrazzaq Al-Bakri, Dean of the College of Islamic Studies, and with the membership of Dr. Ayman Sobhi, Dr. Khaled Al-Na'an'ah, and Dr. Ahmed Abdulsattar.

This study aims to analyze and evaluate the contributions of Italian Orientalists to Quranic studies, through an examination of their works and research methodologies.



## Khaled Saleh Awarded PhD in Arabic Literature

Khaled Mohammed Saleh has been awarded a PhD in Arabic Literature from the Islamic University of Minnesota, following a public defense of his dissertation titled "Ambition and Fall in the Poetry of Al-Mutanabbi."

The dissertation was supervised by Dr. Ibrahim Mustafa Al-Dahoun, a faculty member in the Department of Arabic Language and Literature at the Islamic University of Minnesota. The defense committee was chaired by Dr. Osama Abdulrahman Abu Zaid, Head of the Department of Arabic Language.

The committee also included Dr. Omar Saleh Saqr Shuqairat, a faculty member at the Islamic University of Minnesota, and Dr. Saad Mohammed Atiya Hassan, former Assistant Professor of Literature and Rhetoric at the College of Basic Education in Kuwait.

The committee unanimously decided to award Khaled Mohammed Saleh a PhD in Arabic Literature, in recognition of his outstanding research efforts.



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## Business Administration PhD Candidate Presents Research Plan

MINNESOTA, July 2024 ,12 – Mustafa Ja'far Abdullah Abbas, a PhD candidate in Business Administration at the Islamic University of Minnesota, presented his research plan during a seminar held by the College of Economics and Business Administration's Graduate Studies Dean's Office.

The seminar was chaired by Dr. Mohammed Younes Hamida, Head of the Business Administration Department, with Dr. Abdulrahman Abdulghani and Dr. Abu Thar Yusuf serving as committee members.

Abbas' research plan focuses on "The Impact of Talent Management Practices on Job Satisfaction at Saudi Aramco Company." The study aims to analyze the relationship between talent management practices and employee satisfaction at the company, identifying best practices to improve employee satisfaction and enhance performance.

Following a thorough discussion, the committee approved the research plan, deeming it comprehensive and objective, meeting the requirements for a PhD in Business Administration.



## Al-Hadi Saeedi Earns Doctorate in Business Administration

Graduate Studies Office, Sunday, July 2024 ,21

Researcher Al-Hadi Saeedi has earned a doctorate in Business Administration from the Business Administration Department at the College of Economics and Business, following the public defense of his thesis titled "The Importance of Strategic Planning in Developing National Statistical Systems during the Period 2022-2010: The Case of Tunisia."

The defense took place under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Office at the Islamic University of Minnesota, chaired by Dr. Mohammed Younis Hamida, Head of the Business Administration Department, on Sunday, July 2024 ,21, at 10 PM Mecca time.

The defense committee consisted of distinguished members, with Dr. Mohammed Fathi, a faculty member at the Islamic University of Minnesota, serving as the supervisor. The internal defense was overseen by Dr. Khalid Basarida, while the external discussion was conducted by Dr. Abdulrahman Yusuf, a faculty member at King Saud University in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Congratulations to researcher Al-Hadi Saeedi on this outstanding academic achievement, and we wish him continued success in his academic and professional journey.



## Academic Committee Approves PhD Plans for Two Researchers



Minnesota, July 2024 ,24: An academic committee from the Department of Jurisprudence and its Fundamentals, chaired by Dr. Salah Ahmed Farraj, Head of the Department, approved two research plans for doctoral students in the College of Sharia and Law, namely Olukoli Ali and Mohammed Omar Ahmed.

The approval of the plans came after a seminar session held by the committee under the supervision of the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, main campus, on Tuesday, July 2024 ,23, at 9:00 PM Mecca Time.

The session began with Olukoli Ali's plan titled "Treatment between Islamic Jurisprudence and Beninese Customs - A Comparative Analytical Study", followed by Mohamed Omar Ahmed's plan titled "Justification by Absence and its Impact on Contemporary Financial Transactions - A Fiqh-Based Study".

It is worth noting that the seminar committee consisted of - in addition to its chairman - Dr. Salah Farraj - Dr. Bassam Al-Rashid, Dr. Mohammed Abdullah Al-Wardi, Dr. Abdulrazzaq Sanad, and Dr. Hakim Ibrahim Al-Shamiri.



## Researcher Earns Doctorate in Quran and Its Sciences

Researcher Ghada Mohammed Kafafi has obtained a doctorate degree in the Holy Quran and its sciences, after the public defense of her dissertation titled "Guidance of the Brothers: Explanation of the Guidance of the Young by Sheikh Mohammed bin Ali Khalaf Al-Haddad - A Study and Verification" on Saturday, Dhul Hijjah 1445 ,30 AH, corresponding to July 2024 ,6 at 9:30 PM Makkah time.

The defense took place under the supervision of the Deanship of Graduate Studies and Scientific Research at the Main Center of the Islamic University of Minnesota, through a scientific committee composed of Dr. Mohammed bin Abdulaziz Al-Qubisi, a faculty member at the Islamic University of Minnesota, as supervisor and rapporteur, Dr. Fatima Amin Al-Saghir, a faculty member at the Islamic University of Minnesota, as an internal examiner, and Dr. Ziyad Ahmed Al-Hajj, Head of the Qiraat (Quranic Recitations) Department at Al-Janan University in Lebanon, as an external examiner.

This news is being translated to English for publication in the university newspaper.



## Scientific Committee Approves Researcher Ola Ali's Plan

A scientific committee from the Department of Educational Psychology approved the research plan prepared by researcher Ola Ali Abdulazeem Abdultawab to study (The effectiveness of a proposed educational guidance program in developing parents' awareness of psychological disorders in children in middle childhood) in order to fulfill the requirements for obtaining a master's degree from the Faculty of Educational Sciences.

The plan was approved after the committee held a seminar session to discuss the plan under the supervision of the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, on Sunday, July 2024 ,7, at 9:00 pm Mecca time.

The discussion committee that approved the plan was headed by Dr. Anas Nawafleh, Head of the Department of Educational Psychology, and included Dr. Mohammed Ta'amneh and Dr. William Jamal Al-Mu'allim.



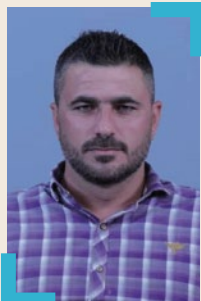
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Graduate Studies Deanship

## Saleh Abbas Gets Approval for His PhD Research Plan

MINNESOTA, July 2024 ,20: A scientific committee from the Educational Administration Department, chaired by Dr. Hiba Tawfiq Abu Ayyada, Head of the Department, approved the research plan prepared by graduate student Saleh Abbas Kaneh, in the context of fulfilling the requirements for obtaining a PhD degree.

This came during a seminar session held by the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, the main center, to discuss the plan, which the researcher chose the title "Building a Proposed Training Program on the Competencies of Teaching Islamic Education Subjects to Prepare High School Students as New Teachers in Islamic Schools in Light of Their Training Needs from the Point of View of Teachers in the Republic of Liberia".

The discussion committee consisted of - in addition to its chair, Dr. Hiba Tawfiq Abu Ayyada - the membership of each of Dr. Abdulsalam Al-Hatamleh and Dr. Aya Daif Allah Al-Momani.



## College of Sharia and Law Approves Research Plan

A scientific committee from the Department of Law, headed by Associate Professor Dr. Mohamed Shoaib Abdel Maqsood, Head of the Department, has approved the research plan submitted by Hani Khalil Hajj Younes to study the "Impact of Economic Sanctions on Human Rights" as part of the requirements for obtaining a PhD degree from the College of Sharia and Law.

This came after a seminar session held by the Deanship of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, main campus, to discuss the plan on Tuesday, July 2024 ,2, at 10:00 PM Mecca time.

The discussion committee that accepted the plan consisted of Dr. Mohammed Shoaib Abdulmaqsood as chairman, in addition to Dr. Shima Shams El-Din Hussein and Dr. Ahmed Ghalib Al-Nabihi as members.



## Approval of Jweizi Master Plan

A committee from the Department of Da'wah and Islamic Culture, chaired by Dr. Taha Al-Jawhari, has approved the research plan submitted by student Bashir Jweizi Saleh Jweizi, as he fulfills the requirements for obtaining a master's degree from the Faculty of Islamic Studies.

The Graduate Studies Deanship at the Islamic University of Minnesota held a seminar session to discuss the student's plan titled "Surah An-Nur: An Analytical Study from Jurisprudential, Social, and Educational Perspectives and Its Impact on Preserving the Muslim Community." This session took place on Wednesday, July 2024 ,31, at 10:00 PM Mecca time.

The session was chaired by Dr. Taha Al-Jawhari, with Dr. Manal Mustafa and Dr. Mahmoud Salah serving as committee members.



## Training Center Organizes Five Diverse Events During July

The month of July 2024 witnessed a remarkable activity by the Center for Training, Development, and Community Programs at the Islamic University of Minnesota, where the center organized five diverse events between interactive lectures, training courses, and workshops.

### Training Course on Fundamentals of Scientific Research Writing:

In cooperation with the Scientific Research Unit, the center organized a training course entitled "Fundamentals of Scientific Research Writing: The Research Thesis" on Sunday, June 30, and Tuesday, July 2024 ,2 presented by Professor Hanan Sabhi Obeid and Dr. Asaad Al-Fahd. The course dealt with the research scope of the thesis, learning outcomes, how to write the introduction and conclusion, documenting references and scientific sources, choosing the research methodology, results, and recommendations.

### Training Course on Technical Training:

The center hosted Engineer Muhammad Abdul Jawad, Director of the Virtual Rooms and Acoustics Unit, to present a training course on "Technical Training: Zoom Program, and Google Drive - Cloud Storage"

on Sunday, July 7, and Tuesday, July 2024 ,9. The course targeted new doctors, new and non-new students, and all interested persons from inside and outside the university.

### Interactive Lecture on Social Communication Skills:

The center cooperated with the College of Arts and Humanities to present an interactive lecture entitled "Social Communication Skills" on Sunday, July ,21 2024 delivered by Dr. Bahauddin Khalaf Allah. The lecture addressed the importance of effective communication in building personal and professional relationships.

### Interactive Lecture on the Rules of Solving Family Problem:

In cooperation with the College of Educational Sciences, the center held an interactive lecture entitled "Prophetic Rules in Solving Family Problems" on Thursday, July 2024 ,18 delivered by Dr. Abdullah Abdul Nabi, Dean of the College. The lecture dealt with the foundations of solving family problems from an Islamic perspective.

### Training Workshop on Problem-Solving Skills:

Under the auspices of the center, Dr. Mukhlal Saad Al-Mutairi presented a training workshop entitled "Problem-Solving Skills" on Thursday, July 2024 ,25. The workshop targeted students from inside and outside the university and all interested persons.

### Important Recommendations:

Professor Hanan Sabhi Obeid recommended the necessity of establishing governance and strategic planning in the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research, involving all levels of human resources in the strategic planning committees, and providing specialized training courses in governance and strategic planning for relevant employees.

### Notes:

- A video recording of the "Problem-Solving Skills" workshop has been uploaded to the center's page on the university's official website.
- The Training Center is accustomed to hosting Engineer Mohammed Abduljawad at the beginning of each semester to provide training courses on distance learning technologies.



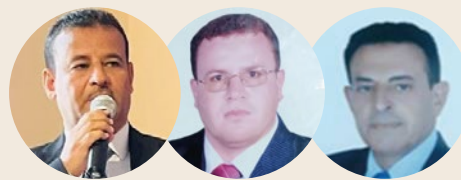
## Quality and Development Unit Hosts Workshop

Minnesota, July 2024 ,11 - The Quality and Development Unit, in coordination with the Scientific Research Unit at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, organized a training workshop titled "Types of Study Population and Sample and How to Calculate Their Size." The workshop was delivered by certified trainer Mr. Marwan Al-Awawisha, a member of the Quality and Development Unit at the Islamic University of Minnesota and a lecturer at Al-Balqa Applied University. The workshop took place on Thursday, July 2024 ,11, from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM Mecca Time.

The workshop covered six main topics: defining the study population, identifying the types of study populations, defining the study sample, identifying the types of study samples, understanding the difference between using the study population or the sample in data collection, and methods for calculating sample size. The workshop was broadcast via ZOOM and targeted all students and researchers. Dr. Fatima Juma Al-Wahsh, Director of the Quality and Development Unit, moderated the workshop.

A large number of interested individuals and researchers attended the workshop, which witnessed significant interaction from the participants.

This workshop is part of a series of workshops and seminars organized by the Islamic University of Minnesota to develop the skills of researchers and students.



## Language Center Launches New Courses in French and English

The Language and Translation Center at the Islamic University of Minnesota announced the opening of registration for the second-level French language course. The center stated that they have selected Dr. Taha Hussein al-Jawhari to teach this course, which will begin on Tuesday, July 2024 ,16 and continue until the required number of students is reached.

According to the announcement, the course will consist of 12 lectures and will focus on learning the basics of the French language, including learning common vocabulary and basic expressions, grammar rules related to verbs, tenses, and simple sentences. The announcement indicated that the course will be distinguished by a specialized instructor who makes learning enjoyable and easy, with interactive sessions and practical application, and a certificate that students will receive upon completion of the course.

At the same time that the center completed the third-level Spanish language course taught by Dr. Ali El-Shboul, it also announced the launch of the second-level English language course, taught by Dr. Ibrahim Salem. According to the announcement, the cost of the French language course is 40\$, and the registration is open through the following link:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Lezuu3Ma39e8pZk2jcZyxo>

## Da'wah Center Launches with Interactive Lecture



Minnesota, July 2024 ,22: The Islamic Da'wah Center at the Islamic University of Minnesota (IUM) launched its inaugural event, an interactive lecture titled "The Art of Da'wah: Principles and Concepts," delivered by Dr. Mohammed ElShqairi on Monday, July 2024 ,22, between 7 pm and 9 pm Mecca Time.

The lecture was delivered in both Arabic and English via ZOOM and live-streamed on the university's official Facebook page, receiving positive feedback from attendees, including the university's vice president, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrabi, and his deputy, Dr. Zainab Basoni.

On the sidelines of the lecture, Dr. Omar said: "May Allah reward you with the best of rewards, and we ask Allah to benefit from this blessed center. We congratulate it on the launch of its activities and programs, which will have a good impact, God willing."

Dr. Zainab, in her comment on the lecture, wrote: "Many thanks to all those in charge of managing the center. Distinguished content and a strong start. Our prayers for success and guidance."



## College of Sharia and Law Holds Four Inspection Meetings

Minnesota, USA - The College of Sharia and Law at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, held four inspection meetings for the requirements of the launch of the educational process, one of which was at the level of the Deanship and in another place, news specific to it, and three for the three departments that make up the college.

### Meeting of the Department of Jurisprudence and its Fundamentals

Dr. Salah Farraj, Head of the Department of Jurisprudence and its Fundamentals, held a meeting for the department's students from the postgraduate stage (Master's and PhD) on Thursday, July 2024, 11, at 6:00 PM Makkah time.

Dr. Salah discussed with the postgraduate students the issue of university accreditation, confirming that the university is moving forward in achieving accreditation in a large number of universities and ministries of higher education in many countries, and noted that the university is actually accredited in a number of universities and countries, and has many partnerships and agreements with scientific institutions and universities.

Dr. Farraj also discussed the importance of seeking knowledge, stressing that the university takes into account the quality of the scientific material as well as the quality of the lecturers, and this educational service is the essence of the university's existence.

Dr. Farraj stressed the need for attendance, and warned of the impact of attendance and absence on the student's final grade.

### Meeting of the Department of Law and Legal Affairs Administration

The faculty members of the Department of Law in

the College of Sharia and Law held a meeting headed by Dr. Mohammed Shuayb Abdulmaqsood, Head of the Department of Law, on Friday, July 5, 2024, at 10:00 PM Makkah time.

The attendees - in the presence of some students and the administrative staff of the College of Sharia - discussed the preparations for the first semester of the academic year 2025/2024 and the reception of new faculty members, and trained them on the work plan at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, based on the distance learning method, as well as reviewed the academic schedule for the first semester of 2025/2024.

On a related note, and earlier, the Director of the Legal Affairs Department at the Islamic University of Minnesota, Main Center, Dr. Mohammed Shuayb Abdulmaqsood, held a meeting on Thursday, June 2024, 27, at 10:00 PM Makkah time.

The meeting - which was attended by members of the Legal Affairs Department - discussed the preparations for the first semester of the academic year 2025-2024, as well as the discussion of the work regulations at the university, and in this context, the organizational structure of the university and the functional tasks of each department were reviewed.

### Meeting of the Department of Judiciary and Islamic Politics

The faculty members of the Department of Judiciary and Islamic Politics in the College of Sharia and Law held a meeting headed by Dr. Alaa Husni Musa, Head of the Department, on Saturday, July 2024, 6, at 9:00 PM Makkah time.

At the beginning of the meeting, Dr. Alaa welcomed all attendees before reminding the members of the

faculty of the actual start of studies for the first semester of the new year 2024 and 2025. Then Dr. Omar Mohammed, who is responsible for plans and curricula in the Department of Judiciary and Islamic Politics, spoke in a general way about the curricula related to the first semester. In the meeting, Dr. Alaa, on behalf of the Department of Judiciary and Islamic Politics, congratulated the student Abdulkarim Fadheen on the occasion of his graduation from the PhD stage, after discussing his thesis, which he completed under the supervision of Dr. Anas Izz al-Din Jarab. In this context, the attendees discussed some research plans that are being discussed in the Department of Judiciary, and Dr. Mohammed Jamal was appointed as a supervisor for the student Abdulquddous in the PhD stage.

Dr. Alaa thanked Dr. Asmaa for reminding her of the college's magazine and her proposal for complementary research, and also clarified that the certificate of experience - after a request from the head of the department - is due to everyone who has taught for three consecutive or intermittent semesters, and sent a link to certificates of appreciation and gratitude to the faculty members who wish to extract it, and opened a discussion on the training and development file and the courses that the department can offer or benefit from; He pointed to the need to attend the technical qualification course presented by the engineer Muhammad Abduljawad.

At the end of the meeting, Dr. Alaa Husni Musa thanked all the attendees, wishing them success and success, and the educational process great success in the first semester.

## College of Islamic Studies Reviews Beginnings in Three Meetings



The College of Islamic Studies at the University of Minnesota's main center celebrated the launch of the first semester of 2024 with three important meetings held in the departments of Islamic Studies (Arabic), Da'wah and Islamic Culture, and Islamic Studies (English).

### Department of Islamic Studies (Arabic)

Dr. Fatima Jumaa Al-Wahsh, Chair of the Arabic Department of Islamic Studies, presided over the regular meeting for the first semester of 2024 on

Saturday, June 2024, 29. The meeting discussed welcoming the new semester, introducing new faculty members, and outlining the key responsibilities assigned to faculty members, such as commitment to attendance, entering and exiting lectures according to the schedule set by the virtual room unit, treating students kindly and patiently, and engaging positively with the administration.

### Department of Da'wah

The Department of Da'wah and Islamic Culture held a meeting chaired by Dr. Taha Al-Johari on Tuesday, July 2024, 2. Al-Johari welcomed department members and congratulated them on the new semester, also extending a welcome to new members. He reviewed the department's achievements in the previous semester, praising the efforts made by teaching staff.

Al-Johari emphasized the need for strict adherence to lecture schedules and the prescribed curricula to ensure educational goals are met, and he urged leaving controversial issues out of lectures. He also highlighted the importance of preparing academic material in advance, using presentation software like PowerPoint to facilitate the educational process, and the importance of monitoring attendance while accommodating students with special circumstances.

### Department of Islamic Studies (English)

Dr. Manal Mustafa, Chair of the English

Department of Islamic Studies, held a meeting with members of the department's council and faculty on Sunday, July 2024, 14. The chair congratulated all attendees on the start of the new academic year, urging them to stay motivated, work hard, and ensure the smooth conduct of the educational process.

Dr. Manal drew attention to the need for organizing lectures in file formats and PowerPoint presentations to make it easier for students, with the goal of delivering the academic material effectively. She reminded them not to deviate from the approved curricula and encouraged them to motivate students to engage in required activities and assignments, while not allowing them to raise disputes that stray from the moderation followed in the university's educational policy, and to prepare for examinations.

### Conclusion of the Meetings

The three meetings concluded with a series of important recommendations and decisions, including adherence to the academic work plan for the current semester, implementing proposed initiatives to improve academic and administrative performance, and preparing and submitting midterm exam templates on time.

These meetings affirm the College of Islamic Studies' commitment to launching a successful semester and providing the best educational service to its students.





## Strong Start for First Academic Semester at College of Arts and Humanities

Reported by: Ragheb Abdulrazzaq

As part of the preparations for the first academic semester, the College of Arts and Humanities organized a series of interactive meetings, including one for the administration and four for the various departments, reflecting the college's commitment to providing high-quality education.

### Arabic Language Department

The Arabic Language Department held its first meeting on Friday, July 2024 ,5, chaired by Dr. Osama Abdulrahman Awaf. At the beginning of the meeting, Awaf welcomed attendees and thanked them for their efforts during the summer session. He emphasized the importance of thorough preparation for the course material and encouraging active participation from students. He also highlighted the need to adhere to the academic plan and ensure effective communication among faculty members.

### Political Science Department

On Wednesday, July 2024 ,3, the chair of the Political Science Department, Dr. Faiza Khattab, met with faculty members. Dr. Khattab praised their efforts and stressed the importance of adhering to schedules and monitoring student attendance. She called for reducing academic burdens and activating

communication channels to enhance interaction.

### English Language Department

On Saturday, July 2024 ,6, Dr. Rehab Samir chaired a meeting for the English Language Department. The importance of updating academic schedules and information regularly was emphasized. The discussion included the necessity of establishing a charter with students to clarify evaluation methods, along with the need for continuous oversight of the educational process.

### History and Archaeology Department

On Thursday, July 2024 ,11, Dr. Sihem Abdulbaqi held a meeting with faculty members in the History and Archaeology Department. Strategies for assessing students and updating curricula were discussed. The importance of instilling confidence in students regarding the department was emphasized, highlighting the academic opportunities available after graduation.

The meetings concluded with expressions of gratitude to the university president and the dean of the college, reflecting a spirit of cooperation and a commitment to academic excellence within the college.



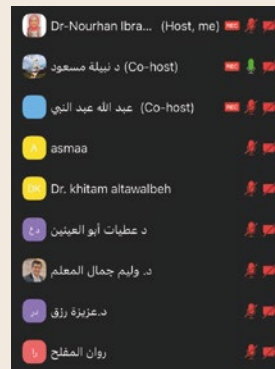
## Qatnani Chairs Department of Educational Sciences Meeting

Minnesota, July 2024 ,9 - The faculty of the Department of Educational Sciences at the Islamic University in Minnesota held a meeting chaired by Dr. Doaa Qatnani on Tuesday, July 2024 ,9.

At the beginning of the meeting, the department chair, Dr. Marwan Bataineh, apologized for not being able to continue attending due to an emergency related to the death of a relative, leaving the task of chairing the meeting to the department's vice chair, Dr. Doaa Qatnani.

The meeting discussed the preparations for the first semester of the new academic year 2025-2024, from all related aspects. Dr. Qatnani emphasized the importance of adhering to the lecture times, dealing with new students in a good manner, activating the role of students during the lecture in discussions, explaining in clear Arabic, and presenting PowerPoint presentations or any other method to present the lecture.

The meeting was attended by Dr. Doaa Qatnani, the vice chair of the Department of Educational Sciences, Dr. Nourhan Salama, the administrative affairs officer at the College of Educational Sciences, and a number of faculty members of the Department of Educational Sciences.



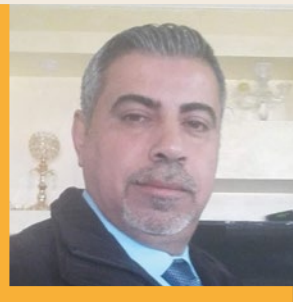
## Early Childhood Department Meeting Led by Dr. Nabila Masoud

Dr. Nabila Mas'oud, Chair of the Early Childhood Department, held the first meeting for faculty members in the new department on Saturday, July 2024 ,27, attended by the Dean of the College of Educational Sciences, Professor Dr. Abdullah Abdulnabi.

At the beginning of the meeting, both the dean and the department chair welcomed the faculty members and invited each member to introduce themselves. They discussed the educational conditions within the department, where Dr. Nabila emphasized the importance of using PowerPoint presentations and the need for faculty creativity in the educational process within lecture halls. Dean Abdulnabi highlighted that working with children requires high-level skills for effective interaction, stressing the necessity for faculty to use all available resources to prepare students for teaching young children in the future.

During the meeting, the department chair expressed her ambition to develop the department by establishing cooperation agreements with accredited training and educational centers, as well as implementing training courses and activities aimed at encouraging students' creativity and innovation.

The meeting was also attended by the college's Administrative Affairs Officer, Dr. Nourhan Salama, along with several faculty members, including Dr. William Jamal, Dr. Khetam Tawlbeh, Dr. Aziza Rizq, Dr. Atiyat Abu Al-Ainain, Dr. Rawan Al-Mufleh, and Dr. Asma Bani Hamad.



## New Doctors at the Islamic University of Minnesota

Faculty Affairs Office Congratulates Four Academic Achievements and Welcomes 25 New Faculty Members.

The Faculty Affairs Office at the Islamic University of Minnesota, represented by Dean Dr. Marwan Bataineh, has congratulated several faculty members for their distinguished academic contributions on behalf of the university.

The Dean praised the achievements of:

- Dr. Ibrahim Ali Al-Bahr from the Department of Educational Administration, who published his book titled \*Blended Learning.
  - Dr. Yousef Jaber Jamil Al-Awna from the Department of Educational Technology, who published a research paper titled Western Values Related to Human Rights and Democracy in the Context of the Gaza War.
  - Dr. Marwan Ghazi Al-Abbas from the Department of Business Administration, who published a research paper titled Performance Evaluation Practices and Organizational Citizenship Behavior: Evidence from Jordan in the Asia Journal, which is indexed in Scopus.
  - Dr. Mohammed Rashidi Abduh, who represented the university at the international conference on Mental Health and Its Relation to the Labor Market: The Importance of Social Entrepreneurship, held at Assiut University.
- In a related context, Dr. Marwan welcomed 25 new faculty members who recently joined the university, including:
- Dr. Yusra Sabaih (Department of Media, Graduate Studies)
  - Dr. Al-Tayeb Al-Sadeq (Department of Media, Bachelor's)
  - Dr. Yahya Lahlo (Department of Data Analysis and Artificial Intelligence)
  - Dr. Hani Al-Mahmoud (Department of Media, Graduate Studies)
  - Dr. Yahya Al-Ajalin (Department of Management Information Systems)

- Dr. Shadi Jubran (Department of Educational Sciences, Bachelor's)
  - Dr. Suhair Al-Halwani (Department of Islamic Studies in English)
  - Dr. Diar Saeed (Department of Islamic Studies in English)
  - Dr. Jumaa Sharaf Al-Din (Department of Disasters and Crisis Management)
  - Dr. Ghada Aziz (Department of Islamic Studies in English)
  - Dr. Asma Bani Hamad (Department of Early Childhood)
  - Dr. Aziza Abdulnabi (Department of Early Childhood)
  - Dr. Hamed Al-Rashidi (Department of Educational Administration)
  - Dr. Sara Al-Muhadeen (Department of Early Childhood)
  - Dr. Yaser Malek Suleiman (Department of Computer Science and Information Systems)
  - Dr. Khitam Al-Tawaleba
  - Dr. Rawan Al-Muflih
  - Dr. Isam Ababneh
  - Dr. Samer Ariq (Department of Early Childhood)
  - Dr. Najla Mahmoud (Department of Islamic Studies in English)
  - Dr. Atiyat Abu Al-Ainain (Department of Educational Psychology and Early Childhood)
  - Dr. Iman Al-Badri (Department of Development Studies)
  - Dr. Naeem Mohi Al-Din (Department of Islamic Studies in English)
  - Dr. Samir Al-Azawi (Department of Media, Bachelor's)
  - Dr. Ali Ghaybah (Department of Jurisprudence and Its Foundations)
- The office wishes all new and distinguished faculty members continued success and progress in their academic careers.



## Change of Name of Islamic Economics Department

The Deanship of the College of Economics and Business at the Islamic University of Minnesota has announced the change of the name of the Islamic Economics Department to the "Islamic Economics and Banking Department." This decision was based on a recommendation from the College of Economics Council and followed a comprehensive review of the program's courses and curricula by the department's leadership.

In this context, the media center published an update to the electronic brochure regarding the department's literature, which included an overview of the department, its vision, mission, goals, admission requirements, responsibilities, general specifications for program graduates, the nature of the specialization, and potential job fields for graduates.

The new specialization aims to meet labor market demands, with its curriculum designed to address Islamic financial and banking needs at both local and international levels. It also considers recent developments in Islamic banking operations to achieve a balance between collecting and utilizing deposits based on market conditions.

The brochure outlines potential job opportunities for graduates, including positions in banks offering Islamic financing services, teaching Islamic education in institutes, working in insurance companies, or in economic research centers.

Additionally, the faculty of the Islamic Economics Department held a meeting chaired by Dr. Hayam Al-Zoubi, who welcomed the attendees and congratulated them on the new academic year 2024/2025. The meeting addressed the department's readiness for the new semester, teaching methodologies, the importance of adhering to the standard Arabic language, and the necessity of keeping to lecture schedules.

An agreement was reached to implement the requirements for changing the department's name and to revise the curricula starting next week through team meetings. At the end of the meeting, Dr. Hayam invited faculty members to contribute research for the second issue of the "College of Economics and Business Journal," emphasizing the importance of the proposals put forth by members.

These steps reflect the college's commitment to enhancing educational quality and meeting labor market needs, showcasing the university's dedication to developing its academic programs.

## Educational Rooms Prepares Classrooms and Schedules for First Semester



The Educational Rooms and Registration Unit at the Islamic University of Minnesota has announced the completion of classroom and schedule preparations for the first semester of the academic year 1446 / 2025 - 24 AH.

Utilizing Google tools, the unit sent initial schedules to department heads, allowing for modifications by the Dean of the College and administrative affairs. Following department head approval, course links were prepared on the Zoom program, with each course receiving a permanent link until the end of the first semester.

Schedules were then sent to secretaries after being divided and formatted into images and PDFs. Additionally, automatic statistics were generated to display available room times for easy selection.

Furthermore, the unit prepared playlist links for departments for each stage individually (70 links for visual playlists and 70 links for audio playlists). Zoom links were also prepared, ensuring each course has an independent and permanent link throughout the semester (120 links).

The report indicates that there are 350 lectures per week, distributed across the days of the week as follows: 66 lectures on Saturday, 56 lectures on Sunday, 57 lectures on Monday, 61 lectures on Tuesday, 61 lectures on Wednesday, and 47 lectures on Thursday.

Finally, a WhatsApp community was established to facilitate the formation of workgroups, with ongoing efforts to improve and organize these groups.



## Faculty Affairs Deanship Holds Two Important Meetings

Dr. Zainab Basyouni, Deputy Vice President of the Islamic University of Minnesota, chaired a meeting for the members of the Colleges' Administrative Affairs Unit on Saturday, July 2024 ,20, at the invitation of the Dean of Faculty Affairs, Dr. Marwan Bataineh. The meeting was attended by the unit director, Dr. Nourhan Salama, and the Deputy Dean of Faculty Affairs for Administrative Affairs.

The meeting addressed several key points, notably expressing gratitude to the administrative staff for their significant efforts in managing the colleges' administrative affairs. During the meeting, officials confirmed the removal of inactive faculty members and the completion of their files in coordination with the dean, as well as the continuous updating of the database and responding to inquiries from faculty members and students. Dr. Zainab Basyouni praised the efforts of the officials and emphasized their role as the administration of the colleges, not merely secretaries, highlighting their substantial authority in overseeing the colleges. She also requested coordination to delete any inappropriate posts in the student forum.

Additionally, Dr. Marwan Bataineh had previously held a meeting with the Administrative Affairs Unit on July 2024 ,4, where he commended the team's efforts. Dr. Nourhan Salama discussed the importance of following up with college and department secretaries without intervention unless to resolve minor issues.

At the end of the meeting, a vote was taken to establish a monthly report of achievements instead of a quarterly one, along with the necessity to follow up on files related to inactive faculty members with department heads.

These meetings reflect the university's commitment to enhancing administrative performance and improving the services provided to faculty members and students, demonstrating a dedication to fostering an effective academic work environment.

## Information Technology Deanship: Notable Achievements and New Updates



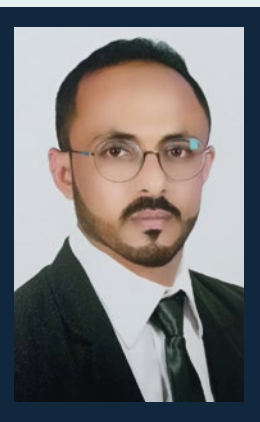
The Information Technology Deanship at the Islamic University of Minnesota, main center, has issued a detailed report on its achievements during June 2024, including an infographic highlighting the progress made in academic and administrative operations.

According to the report, the deanship added 31 new pages to the website over 960 working hours, along with five software modifications and 716 updates, publishing 186 news items and events. In June, 413 lectures were added across all levels, with 1,174 undergraduate students, 7,044 undergraduate courses, 380 graduate students, and 1,819 graduate courses.

Updates were distributed among the eight colleges, with the Arts and Humanities Department recording the highest number of updates at 168, while the Sharia and Law College had the lowest at 37, bringing the total number of updates and additions to 645. Improvements included the addition of a feature to filter goals and information by college and department, facilitating easier access to required information. Technical issues were also addressed to ensure text is displayed consistently across all website pages.

Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, the university's vice president and head of the main campus, announced an administrative restructuring of the deanship. Ms. Marwa Qasem Abdulwasea was appointed as the dean, with Engineer Ali Mustafa as her deputy, and Engineer Al-Harith Mohammed Noaman as the head of technical support for undergraduate studies. The remaining team members will retain their positions, reflecting the deanship's success in achieving tangible accomplishments that received praise from university administration.

With this appointment, the Information Technology Deanship aims to enhance work efficiency and improve services provided to students and faculty members.



## Training Workshop for College and Department Registrars on Student Attendance Tracking on E-Portal

Islamic University of Minnesota, July 2024 ,22

The Student Affairs Unit, in cooperation with the Educational Affairs Unit, organized a training workshop for college and department registrars and their assistants at the Islamic University of Minnesota. The workshop was held on Monday, July 2024 ,22, at 9:00 PM Makkah time.

The workshop was chaired by the Director of the Undergraduate Student Affairs Unit, Professor Suleiman Maqbool, who provided a detailed practical explanation of student attendance tracking on the electronic portal. The explanation included how to match student lists with the electronic portal in the best possible way, the mechanism for recording attendance and absence, a detailed explanation of the attendance and absence regulations, and how to deal with emergency and acceptable excuses for absence.

Professor Maqbool stressed the importance of accuracy and diligence in recording attendance and absence to encourage students to attend. He thanked the Educational Affairs Unit and its staff, including the registrars and assistants, and praised the role they play in the smooth running of the educational process.

The workshop was attended by the Director of Educational Affairs, Dr. Jumana Al-Kharashi, the college registrars, and approximately 60 department registrars and assistants responsible for the courses.



## Research Unit and IT Dean Discuss University Website and Digital Library Updates

The Research Unit, represented by its Director Dr. Faiza Khattab, and the Dean of Information Technology, represented by its Director Ms. Marwa Qasem Abdulwahab and her Deputy Engineer Ali Mustafa, held a meeting on Saturday, July 2024 ,6, to discuss matters of mutual interest.

The meeting focused on updating the university's website to better reflect the activities and achievements of the Research Unit, including its research files, reports, achievements, projects, and courses.

The meeting also discussed mechanisms to support and update the digital library, and the need to develop its infrastructure to provide modern and integrated research resources for students and researchers. It was agreed on the importance of updating digital databases and adding new sources to enrich the available research content.

The meeting emphasized the importance of publishing the Research Unit's achievements on the university's website. A demonstration was presented on how to update and upload files and achievements.

Ms. Marwa Qasem Abdulwahab pledged to work on the required updates and to publish new news regularly on the university website and Facebook group to enhance communication with the academic community.



## Electronic Guides: Creativity in Design and Speed in Communication

Since the establishment of the Islamic University of Minnesota, the administration has paid special attention to enhancing its performance and achieving quality standards. One of the key efforts in this regard is the preparation and design of various guides that facilitate communication and access to necessary information without significant effort from faculty, students, or administrators.

This report highlights the latest guides issued by the Media Center for various departments within the university.

The guides prepared by the Media Center are tailored to meet the needs of beneficiaries from academic colleges and administrative units, featuring attractive and creative designs. They come in various formats, such as videos, PDFs, and others, with content differing based on the guide's purpose and the benefiting department, ranging from small guides to extensive ones.

Among these guides is the "Faculty Handbook," which helps faculty members quickly integrate into the university,

developed by the Development and Quality support units and the Academic Affairs Unit in collaboration with the Faculty Affairs Division. News about this guide was published on the official website and in issue (14) of "Sada Al-Jameah" newspaper.

Additionally, the "Graduation Research Writing Guide," prepared by Dr. Fatima Jumaa Al-Wahsh and Dr. Mohammed Ali Ismail, was mentioned in the same news article.

Three other guides were also referenced in a news piece published on the official website, including the administrative structure guide for each college, the undergraduate secretary guide, and the graduate secretary guide, all prepared by Dr. Nourhan Salama. Furthermore, a new "Faculty Phone Directory" was created by Dr. Marwan Batayneh, which previously only included deans and department heads.

The Media Center also designed a visual guide in video format, explaining how faculty members can obtain their university ID card via the academic system portal.

In terms of procedural guides, the Media Center collaborated with the technical

support units and the Academic Affairs Division to create the "Grade Recording Mechanism Guide," which outlines the steps for recording student grades on the academic portal.

In the latest issue of "Sada Al-Jameah" newspaper (issue 19), it was announced that the Promotions Committee has issued two new guides: the Scientific Promotions Guide and the Scientific Council Guide.

Finally, on Saturday, July 2024, 27, the Media Center published nine guides at once, eight of which pertain to administrative communication for the eight colleges, and the ninth guide addresses communication with Student Affairs and college secretaries, including contact information for each official.

In conclusion, dozens of guides have been completed over time, some of which are permanent, some temporary and replaceable, and others that are regularly updated as needed.



### Graduate Affairs Deanship in Numbers

The News Department has obtained a copy of an official report featuring digital infographic data prepared by the Graduate Affairs Deanship at the Islamic University of Minnesota, titled "Report on Activities and Achievements of the Graduate Affairs Deanship from January to June 2024 – Semi-Annual Report."

Achievements of the Deanship

The achievements of the Graduate Affairs Deanship can be classified into three categories:

#### 1. Cultural Achievements:

- The Deanship issued an introductory brochure upon its establishment.
- It published the first issue of "Rawaq Minnesota" magazine.
- It released 80 cultural brochures.
- Organized the first cultural evening.
- Held three cultural competitions.
- Prepared two training packages.

#### 2. Public Relations with Graduates:

- The office issued 100 congratulatory messages, including holiday greetings, excellence congratulations, WhatsApp images, and wedding wishes.

- It sent 86 congratulatory cards to graduates.

- Issued 52 membership cards for new graduates in the Graduate Association.

- Distributed 30 certificates of appreciation.

#### 3. Graduation Documents and Their Data :

- The office collected 2024 graduation record data.

- It uploaded the names of 124 graduates on the electronic portal.

- Verified 48 graduation certificates and 37 documents through the Apostille organization.

- Sent the verified certificates and documents to the graduates' families.

- Issued 134 documents from the main center and 578 documents from branch campuses.

- Issued 36 blank certificates and 89 certificates pending review.

It is noteworthy that the Graduate Affairs Deanship is experiencing continuous and dynamic activity, thanks to the effective leadership of Dean Dr. Hind Saif Al-Nasr Ashmawi.

### Manuscript Center Hosts Intensive Training Course on Manuscript Verification



The Manuscript and Heritage Verification Center at the Islamic University of Minnesota's main campus recently hosted an intensive five-lecture training course on manuscript verification. Five professors presented lectures over five days.

The first lecture, titled "Introductory Lecture on Text Verification," was delivered by Dr. Abdulrazzaq Al-Bakri, Dean of the College of Islamic Studies, on Sunday, June 2024, 30.

The second lecture, titled "Characteristics and Ethics of the Investigator," was delivered by Dr. Imad Qadri Al-Ayyadhi, Head of the Manuscript and Heritage Verification Center, on Monday, July 2024, 1. On the following day, Tuesday, July 2, Dr. Abu Bakr Al-Sayid, Vice President of the Manuscript Center, delivered the third lecture, titled "Methodology of Manuscript Verification."

The fourth lecture, titled "Principles of Text Verification," was delivered by Dr. Hind Saif Al-Nasr Ashmawi, Dean of Graduate Studies at the university, on Wednesday, July 3. On the following day, Thursday, July 4, Dr. Asma Farhat concluded the course with the fourth lecture, titled "Text Editing."

The Manuscript and Heritage Verification Center is one of the centers affiliated with the Islamic University of Minnesota's main campus, established to support the basic academic educational process in a way that aligns with the university's vision, strengthens its mission, and achieves its goals.



# Promotion Committee Issues Promotion Guidelines and Scientific Council Guide



MINNESOTA, July 2024 ,6: The Promotion Committee at the Islamic University of Minnesota - main center has released a new guide titled "Promotion Guidelines for the Islamic University of Minnesota." The guide outlines the procedures and requirements for academic promotion at the university, including promotion requirements, how the Scientific Council verifies the fulfillment of requirements, the minimum required scientific production, and promotion criteria.

In addition, the Standing Committee for Practical Promotions and Scientific Council Affairs has issued another guide titled "Scientific Council Guide - First Edition." This guide aims to introduce readers to the Scientific Council, its mission, and its work, including making recommendations on decisions related to the appointment and promotion of academic staff, as well as scientific publication and attendance at scientific courses and conferences.

The guide also covers the committees that fall under the Scientific Council, the responsibilities of the Scientific Council Secretariat, the vision and mission of the council, the tasks of the Scientific Council, membership in the council, its duration, meetings, decisions, and its committees.

The guide provides detailed information about the Standing Committee for Appointments, including its definitions of the committee's tasks, faculty members, and what pertains to them in terms of appointment and promotion, the conditions for appointing the dean, the conditions for appointing a lecturer and language teacher, and the conditions for appointing doctors of the rank of

assistant professor, associate professor, and professor, as well as the requirements and procedures for appointment.

The guide also explains the tasks of the Standing Committee for Promotions, the promotion criteria for doctors from different academic ranks, the conditions and requirements for academic promotion, and the number and conditions of the reviewers. It also includes information about the applicant for promotion, including internal and external recommendations, promotion procedures, the promotion work schedule, the procedures of the Standing Committee for Promotions, its responsibilities, and the procedures of the Scientific Council.

The guide provides model documents required for the applicant for promotion, in addition to information about the scientific production submitted for promotion, including its forms, types, and conditions. It also provides sample forms for research summaries.

The guide also includes information about scientific production that is not counted towards promotion, the applicant's employment history, administrative contributions, and awards, participation in seminars and scientific conferences, and sample details of the teaching load for an applicant for promotion.

The guide includes forms and models from page 36 to page 65, while pages 66 to the end include information about the forms and types of scientific production, its conditions, publication acceptance criteria, acceptance criteria for refereed journals, acceptance criteria for research, and the necessary forms for this.



## Al-Wahati Welcomes Students in Open Dialogue and Presents Ambitious Plans

**College of Media: Special**

The College of Media at the Islamic University of Minnesota held an open meeting for students with the Dean, Professor Abdulsalam Al-Wahati, aimed at introducing new students to the college and its academic and administrative staff, as well as listening to their needs and suggestions.

At the beginning of the meeting, Professor Al-Wahati expressed his gratitude to Dr. Walid Al-Minisi, the university president, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, the university vice president, and Professor Abdulkarim Al-Wazzan, the former dean of the college. He welcomed the attendees, including students and faculty members, and provided an overview of the college and its available programs.

Al-Wahati emphasized that the goal of the meeting was to communicate with students and hear their opinions, working with the university council to alleviate any obstacles they face. He praised the efforts of the faculty members, urging them to continue providing the best educational services.

The meeting also addressed various academic and administrative topics, during which Al-Wahati listened to students' suggestions regarding issues they encounter, enhancing the dialogue between students and the administration.

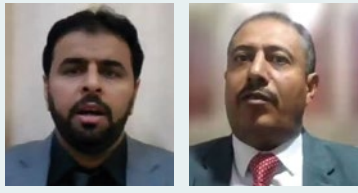
At the conclusion of the meeting, Al-Wahati thanked everyone for

their engagement and suggestions, affirming that their management takes these views into consideration. Students expressed their satisfaction with the transparency of the college.

In a related context, Al-Wahati held a meeting with faculty members in preparation for the first semester of the academic year 2025/2024. During this meeting, they discussed ways to enhance the college's financial resources, including establishing training centers and offering professional diploma programs that align with labor market needs, as well as plans to hold scientific conferences. During the meeting, Al-Wahati stressed the importance of adhering to lecture schedules and mentioned a plan to address the absence of some faculty members due to internet disruptions. He reassured faculty that the university administration is working to improve the college's financial resources to support them.

Faculty members highlighted the importance of developing curricula and coordinating with the university administration to meet student needs, also emphasizing the necessity of updating the college's information on the university website.

The discussion included the importance of strengthening relationships between students and faculty and working collaboratively to ensure the success of the educational process.



## First Technical Camp for College of Computing and Information Technology

Under the patronage of the Vice President of the Islamic University of Minnesota, Head of the Main Center, Dr. Omar bin Ahmed Al-Maqrmi, Dean of the College of Computing and Information Technology, Dr. Munir Abdulbari, and Vice Dean of the College, Dr. Salah Alawi, the College of Computing and Information Technology launched the (First Technical Camp) for the college.

The camp lasted for two days, from Wednesday, July 2024 ,3 (from 7 pm to 11 pm Mecca time) to Thursday, July 2024 ,4 (from 7 pm to 10 pm Mecca time).

The camp witnessed the presentation of various scientific workshops, the most important of which were:

■ Workshop (Mechanisms for Choosing Integrated ERP Systems and the Implementation Plan): Presented by the Head of the Information Systems Department, Dr. Saleh Al-Riyashi.

■ Workshop (Computer Science and Software Development): Presented by the Head of the Computer Science Department, Dr. Ziaul Haq Issa Hamed.

■ Workshop (Cybersecurity and its Applications): Presented by the Vice Dean of the College, Head of the Networks and Cybersecurity Department, Dr. Salah Alawi.

■ Workshop (Artificial Intelligence and its Applications): Presented by the Head of the Data Analysis and Artificial Intelligence Department, Dr. Mohammed Habib Al-Samkari.

Dean of the College, Dr. Munir Abdulbari, stated in a communication with the News Editorial Department that he seeks to have the media center produce the activities of the technical camp in a booklet, as a closing activity for the camp, which will benefit students in the fields that the camp dealt with in the four workshops, and as part of the introduction to the College of Computing and Information Systems.



## Two Faculties Announce Appointment of Three Vice Chairs

The Faculty of Economics and Business Administration and the Faculty of Development Studies at the Islamic University of Minnesota, main center, announced the issuance of a decision to appoint three doctors to the position of Vice Chair.

At the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, Dr. Manal Mohammed Mahmoud Adam was appointed Vice Chair of the Department of Business Administration, and Dr. Zayed Nawaf Awad Al-Duwairi was appointed Vice Chair of the Department of Islamic Economics.

At the Faculty of Development Studies, Dr. Riya Yousef Khalil Fayyadh was appointed Vice Chair of the Department of Development Studies.

We congratulate the three doctors on their new positions and wish them success in their endeavors.



## Department of External Relations Outlines Upcoming Activities in Meeting

The Director of the Department of External Relations and International Cooperation, Dr. Hanan Mukhtar, held a meeting with the department members on Friday, July 2024 ,5.

During the meeting, the attendees discussed the department's report on its activities last year, which proved to be realistic and exceeded expectations. They stressed the need to implement a new event every month in cooperation with partner universities and to publish a quarterly report on the department's activities.

The attendees also agreed to expedite the acceptance procedures for students benefiting from the Tahiri Mohammad University - Bechar Algeria agreement, prepare a new marketing file for the department, and finalize the conference regulations with a focus on innovation and profit.

Other outcomes of the meeting included developing the idea of an interactive brochure to serve pilgrims next year and communicating with the university administration to expedite the implementation of the department's previous proposals, including the regulations of the Deanship of Student Affairs and Graduate Studies under the credit hour system, increasing the number of hours, implementing new academic programs, and reaching the self-learning system.

At the end of the meeting, the department members thanked Dr. Mukhtar for the fruitful meeting, and she emphasized the department's work in the spirit of one family to distinguish the university, its students, and its professors.



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## Deanship of Graduate Affairs Organizes Second Cultural Evening

MINNESOTA, July 2024 ,20: The Deanship of Graduate Affairs at the Islamic University of Minnesota organized its second cultural evening on Friday, July 2024 ,19, at 9:00 PM Mecca time.

The evening began with a recitation of verses from the Holy Quran from Surah (Fussilat) by graduate student Mr. Yaqoub Lutfi Ali Saeed. This was followed by a lecture by Dr. Hazem Al Nahhas titled "The Art of Setting and Achieving Goals," in which he explained the steps to success in a clear and concise manner.

Next, Dean of Graduate Studies Dr. Hind Ashmawi delivered a lecture titled "Keys to Success," in which she highlighted the importance of relying on God, planning well, and perseverance in achieving success.

Graduate student Sabri Hassan Thamer spoke about his academic journey at the university, emphasizing that knowledge is the only antidote that heals him and that the university has taught him to be an essential note in harmony with the rhythm of the day.

The News Department published the full text of graduate student Sabri Hassan Thamer's speech in a comprehensive report on the evening, which was published on the Arabic interface of the university's official website.