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Launch of Manuscript and Heritage Research Center

The launch of the Manuscripts and Heritage Research Center at the Islamic University of Minnesota has been announced under the patronage of Professor Walid bin Idris Al-Munisi, the President of the Islamic University. The event was announced and attended by the Vice Chancellor of the University and the Head of the Main Center, Dr. Omar bin Ahmed Al-Maqrami. The center aims to preserve and research cultural and historical heritage, providing an ideal environment for the preservation and maintenance of ancient and rare manuscripts.

The media center has announced the administrative structure of the center, with Dr. Emad Qadri Al-Ayadhi serving as the Head of the Center, Dr. Abu Bakr Al-Sayyid as the Center's Director, and Dr. Saniya Salama as the Secretary of the Center.

The inauguration event aims to enhance cultural communication and academic collaboration, reflecting the university's commitment to preserving heritage and

developing knowledge. The training workshop organized by the center also aims to promote scientific research and deepen understanding of history and culture.

The center offers its services through the Manuscript Archive Unit, the Education Unit, and collaboration with the College of Islamic Studies in all its departments, as well as external cooperation with other universities and manuscript centers.

The center aims to collect valuable manuscripts and rare documents and make them available to researchers and the scientific community. A dedicated group named after the center has been created on WhatsApp and Telegram platforms to enhance communication and knowledge dissemination.

It is worth mentioning that the center aims to transfer knowledge to current and future generations and enrich scientific research in the fields of heritage, history, and culture.



Significant Increase in New Students at University

There has been a significant increase in the number of new students at the university for the second semester of the academic year 2024-2023. A total of 384 male and female students have enrolled.

In the doctoral program, there are 48 new students, with 15 in the College of Sharia and Law, 12 in the College of Education Sciences, 11 in the College of Islamic Studies, 6 in the College of Economics and Business Administration, 2 in the College of Arts, and 2 in the College of Media.

In terms of departments, the Department of Jurisprudence and its Principles has the highest number of new students with 7. The Department of Quran and its Sciences and the Department of Business Administration follow with 5 students each. Other departments have varying numbers ranging from 1 to 3 students.

The master's program has seen an increase as well, with 81 new students. The College of Islamic Studies, the College of Sharia and Law, and the College of Education have 16 new students each. The College of Economics and Business Administration has 15 new students, the College of Arts and Humanities has 9, the College of Computing and Information Technology has 5, and the College of Media has 4.

In the bachelor's program, there are 255 new students. The College of Computing and Information Technology has the highest number with 87 students, followed by the College of Economics and Business Administration with 58 students, the College of Islamic Studies with 31 students, the College of Arts and Humanities with 27 students, the College of Sharia and Law with 24 students, the College of Education with 17 students, and the College of Media with 14 students.

The Business Administration and Networks and Cybersecurity departments have the highest number of new students in the bachelor's program, with 70 students each. Other departments have varying numbers ranging from around 10 to 55 students.

It's important to note that these numbers are estimates and may vary slightly based on final registration decisions.

Minnesota International Journal of Academic Studies Publishes Fourth Issue with Diverse Range of Peer-Reviewed Research Papers



The quarterly peer-reviewed scientific journal, "Minnesota International Journal of Academic Studies," published its fourth issue (December issue). The issue includes nine peer-reviewed scientific research papers in both Arabic and English, carefully reviewed by the editorial board members and experienced reviewers in various fields.

Dr. Hanan Subhi Obaid, the editor-in-chief of the journal, emphasized the quality of the research papers published in the fourth issue. She highlighted that the participating researchers in this issue represent several countries, including the United Kingdom, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Djibouti, Jordan, Canada, Iraq, and Libya.

The reviewers were honored for their efforts in evaluating the research papers by being granted a "Certified Reviewer Certificate" that includes details of their evaluation for each paper. Professor Obaid expressed her appreciation for the effective collaboration between the editorial board members and the media center at the university in completing this issue on time and with high quality.

The editor-in-chief affirmed that the future goal of the journal is to increase its citation impact by joining an initiative that pairs reputable Arabic and foreign peer-reviewed scientific journals to exchange citations, aiming to achieve international recognition for the journal in well-known databases such as Clarivate and Scopus.

The fourth issue includes a diverse range of research papers in various fields. Some of the titles covered in the journal's index are: "The Impact of Dual-Language Education Programs on the Academic Achievement of Elementary School Students in Borama," "A Modern Linguistic Study of Form in the Hadith 'Didn't You Pray With Us? He Said: Yes,'" and "The Impact of Jurisprudential Rules and Legislation on Crafts and Industries in the Islamic Era," among others.

Regarding the nationalities of the researchers, Saudi Arabia was represented by four researchers in the fourth issue, followed by Iraq with two researchers, while the other countries were represented by one or two researchers.



College of Education Sciences Promotes and Enhances Educational Process through Coordination Meetings



The College of Education Sciences recently held a series of coordination meetings at both the college and department levels to enhance the educational process and address potential obstacles. Here is a summary of the key discussions and outcomes from these meetings:

Special Meeting by Dr. Heba Tawfiq Abu Ayada:

Dr. Abu Ayada, from the Educational Administration Department, held a meeting to express gratitude to faculty members for their accomplishments in the first semester. The meeting also welcomed new members and emphasized the importance of motivation and dedication for the upcoming second semester.

Meeting for Faculty Members in the Educational Technology Department:

Dr. Batoul Al-Tarawneh chaired a meeting attended by the esteemed Dean of the College, Prof. Abdullah Abdulnabi, and Dr. Norhan Salama, the Director of Administrative Affairs. The discussions focused on the department's preparations for the second semester and provided educational guidelines to the

faculty members. Dr. Salama also explained the university's teaching system, including the grading and cost division system.

Meeting by Associate Professor Marwan Zayed Batayneh:

The head of the Educational Sciences Department convened a meeting to discuss various agenda items. This included introducing new faculty members, addressing faculty attendance and absence, discussing exam-related matters such as question formulation and student participation evaluation. The meeting also covered student costs, faculty members' grading standards, promotion procedures for Dr. Mahmoud, and drafting a letter to the Dean.

Productive Meeting with Department Heads:

Dean Dr. Abdullah Abdulnabi held a special meeting with department heads. The discussions involved reviewing previous meeting minutes, monitoring department progress, discussing departmental councils, reviewing the Promotions Committee proposal, and considering the establishment of a Psychological Consultation Unit at the Faculty of Education Sciences.

Special Meeting by Dr. Abdullah Abdulnabi:

The Dean conducted a meeting with faculty members from the Department of Educational Sciences. The agenda included the promotion of Dr. Mahmoud Al-Khouli, the Graduation Project Course of Dr. Wafaa Waridat, revising course descriptions, and addressing service allowance entitlements.

Special Meeting with Postgraduate Students:

Dean Dr. Abdullah Abdulnabi held a meeting with postgraduate students to welcome them and address their inquiries. The Dean provided an overview of the college's departments and available specializations, including the undergraduate Department of Education Sciences and five postgraduate departments.

These coordination meetings aimed to ensure an effective educational process, acknowledge faculty members' achievements, address relevant issues, and provide necessary guidance for the upcoming semester.



Official Meeting Held for Dr. Abdulrazzaq Al-Bakri

An official meeting was held for Dr. Abdulrazzaq Al-Bakri, Dean of the College of Islamic Studies, with the faculty members of the college. The meeting took place on Saturday, December 22, 2023, at 9:00 PM, Mecca Time.

At the beginning of the meeting, the dean welcomed the faculty members and stated the main objective of the meeting, which was to discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the previous semester and prepare for the upcoming semester, while also listening to the suggestions of the faculty members.

The dean also welcomed the new department deputies and expressed his gratitude to the professors for their efforts during the first semester. He expressed his satisfaction with the performance regarding class schedules, examinations, grading, and course

descriptions in some departments.

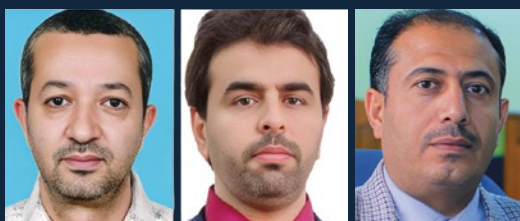
During the meeting, Dr. Al-Bakri emphasized that any shortcomings from the faculty members negatively impact the department, the college, and consequently the university as a whole. He encouraged the professors to participate more actively in departmental groups, follow the announcements posted in these groups, and engage effectively with these announcements.

The dean explained that overlooking the published announcements in the groups may lead to missing important information, resulting in confusion or delays in fulfilling the requirements.

Furthermore, Dr. Al-Bakri addressed the absence of some professors from department heads' meetings and urged them to increase their interaction and cooperation. He emphasized the

importance of the professor's collaboration and engagement with students regarding their inquiries in the subject matter. He stressed the need for effective time management during lectures, focusing on the designated academic material, and utilizing WhatsApp groups for discussing issues and submitting research papers. He also emphasized the importance of respecting the scheduled lecture times and compensating for missed lectures in a timely manner. The meeting concluded with thanks and appreciation to all attendees.

It is worth mentioning that the meeting lasted for forty-five minutes and was attended by thirty-six faculty members.



Faculty of Computer Science Holds Official Meeting

On Friday, December 22, 2023, an official meeting was held by the Council of the Faculty of Computer Science and Information Technology, under the chairmanship of His Excellency, Dr. Muneer Abdulbari Abdul-Fattah, the Dean of the Faculty.

According to the statement provided by Ms. Abeer Abdul Nasr, the Administrative Affairs Officer at the college, the meeting was dedicated to discussing a number of administrative issues, including a review of the progress made in preparation for the Tech Camp (a separate meeting was scheduled for this purpose), reviewing the academic report for the previous period of the second semester, and taking necessary actions to improve performance. Additionally, various administrative matters were discussed, and the required measures were taken accordingly.

The meeting was attended by Dr. Salah Alawi Hussein Al-Sharafi, the Head of the Networks and Cybersecurity Department and the Data Science and Artificial Intelligence Department, Dr. Saleh Mus'ed Al-Riyashi, the Head of the Management Information Systems Department, Dr. Abdullah Abdul Kareem Warikat, the Deputy Head of the Data Science and Artificial Intelligence Department, Ms. Samar Omar Yemeni, the Deputy Head of the Networks and Cybersecurity Department, Dr. Mohammed Habib Al-Samkari, the Deputy Head of the Management Information Systems Department, Dr. Norhan Salama, the Director of Administrative Affairs for the colleges, and Ms. Abeer Abdul Nasr, the Administrative Affairs Officer for the faculty.



Dean of Faculty of Economics Conducts Official Meetings to Prepare for the Second Semester

Dr. Sherine Mamoun, Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, held an official meeting with department heads and their deputies at the college on Tuesday, December 5, 2023.

During the meeting, several topics were discussed, including the mechanism for monitoring the work of department heads by professors, as well as updates related to course descriptions and the peer-reviewed scientific journal "Economics and Business Administration."

The meeting concluded with the introduction of new secretaries for the college's departments, as stated by Ms. Banan Al-Maqrami, the administrative affairs officer at the college.

The following day, Wednesday, December 6, the dean held a special meeting with faculty members at the college, where she welcomed them and listened to their opinions and the challenges they

may face during the educational process. Two days later, on December 8, Dr. Sherine Mamoun held a third special meeting with the college's students, where she welcomed them and encouraged them to commit, work diligently, and avoid absenteeism. A discussion was then opened regarding potential issues in the second semester and ways to address them.

In addition, separate meetings were held for department heads and faculty members in each department. A meeting for the Islamic Economics department took place on Thursday, December 7,

while the Accounting department met on the same day under the leadership of Dr. Rufaida Qamar Al-Dawla. Likewise, the Business Administration department held a meeting on

Friday, chaired by Dr. Mohammed Younis Hamida. These meetings discussed the preparations of the departments for the second semester.

Bachelor and Graduate Student Affairs Units Honors Top-Performing Students in Ceremony



Under the supervision of Mr. Suleiman Maqboul, the Bachelor's Affairs Unit organized a grand ceremony to honor the top performers of the first semester of the bachelor's degree program. The ceremony was attended by 163 male and female students from 14 different departments. Certificates of appreciation were presented to the outstanding students, recognizing their efforts during the first semester. The attendees exchanged congratulations and expressed their happiness for this exceptional achievement. Department heads and faculty members also conveyed their congratulations and appreciation to the high-achieving students and Mr. Suleiman Maqboul for his efforts. The students also praised their teachers who helped them excel academically. Members of the Student Affairs Unit participated in congratulating and wishing the students success and prosperity.

At the end of the ceremony, Mr. Suleiman Maqboul expressed his gratitude and appreciation to all the attendees and participants. He expressed his pride in the achievements of the students in the first semester exams of the bachelor's degree program in the academic year 2024/2023. Congratulations and felicitations were extended from the Student Affairs administration to the outstanding students in all colleges and departments. He expressed his pride in their great efforts and looked forward to seeing more successes in their promising future.

In a related development, a special ceremony was organized to honor the top-performing students in the first semester of the graduate programs. The event was held under the supervision of Ms. Halima Mohammed, the Director of the Graduate Student Affairs Unit. Certificates of appreciation were distributed to 47 male and female students in the Master's program and 22 male and female

students in the Ph.D. program. The ceremony was attended by heads of academic departments, directors of administrative units, and a number of students.

The honored students received recognition and congratulations from university professors and faculty members. Dr. Mohammed Shuaib Abdulmaqsoud from the Law Department expressed his congratulations and well wishes. Dr. Sherine Ma'moun, the Dean of the College of Economics and Business Administration, offered her congratulations and expressed her pride in the successful students. Additionally, several department heads conveyed their congratulations and best wishes for success to the top-performing students.

The ceremony was organized in collaboration between the Student Affairs Unit, the Development and Quality Unit, the Media Center, and the academic departments.



Norhan Salama Announces Administrative Affairs Meetings and Achievements

Dr. Norhan Salama announced the organization of a series of meetings with both the administrative affairs team and the deans and other administrative units.

Dr. Salama stated that she follows up on all correspondence received from units and deans and forwards them to the administrative affairs team, which is then sent to the faculties. She emphasized that she maintains constant communication with the deans to coordinate any matters related to the faculties. Additionally, she oversees the appointment of secretaries for both undergraduate and postgraduate stages and also ensures the administrative matters of the secretaries are followed up and their files are updated.

Salama praised two important achievements by the administrative affairs department, which include preparing a guide to the administrative structure for each college and separate guides for undergraduate secretaries and postgraduate secretaries. She clarified that as the director of administrative affairs for the colleges, she supervises the secretaries in collaboration with Dr. Youssef Al-Hashemi, the dean of academic and educational affairs. She sends the secretaries' data files to the relevant units and issues constant instructions to the administrative affairs team and the secretaries.

In conclusion, Salama affirmed her constant readiness to answer any inquiries from anyone and direct them to the appropriate authority.



Fayza Khattab Appointed as Department Head

Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, Deputy of the Islamic University of Minnesota, has issued a decision appointing Dr. Fayza Khattab as the head of the Department of Political Science at the College of Arts and Humanities.

Khattab holds a Ph.D. in Arts from Ain Shams University and has experience in teaching and research in the field of modern and contemporary history. She has also worked as an Assistant Professor in the Department of History and Islamic Civilization at the Islamic University of Minnesota - Main Center. She has made contributions to several academic journals and conferences.

Dr. Fayza's appointment was welcomed, and she received congratulations from many prominent figures at the university. She expressed her gratitude and appreciation to Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami and other faculty members.

Dr. Wafa Al-Damardash, the Director of the Faculty Affairs Deanship, expressed her thanks and appreciation to Dr. Duaa Mahmoud Awaida, the former department chair, and praised her leadership and administrative abilities.

Official Meeting Held by Dr. Fatima Al-Wahsh



Dr. Fatima Jumaa Al-Wahsh, the Chair of the Department of Islamic Studies at the College of Islamic Studies, held an official meeting with the faculty members of the department on Thursday, December 2023, 7.

The chair welcomed the new members who joined the department before initiating the discussion regarding the course material and how it should be divided into 12 lectures according to the plan, emphasizing the importance of presenting the academic material effectively.

Dr. Fatima emphasized the need to diversify the assignments between questions, reports, and research papers. She also stressed the importance of setting deadlines for submitting assignments, adhering to lecture schedules, leaving on time, minimizing absences to unavoidable circumstances, and submitting exams within the specified timeframe.

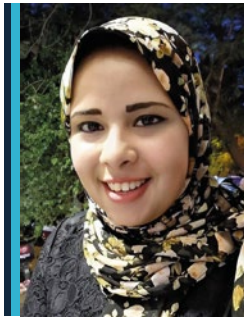
The chair concluded the meeting by emphasizing the faculty members' need to reach out to her, as the department chair, in case of any issues or obstacles they encounter.



Nawafleh Appointed as Department Head

An official decision has been issued by His Excellency, the Deputy Chancellor of the Islamic University in Minnesota, Dr. Omar Al-Maqrami, appointing Dr. Anas Nawafleh as the head of the Educational Psychology Department in the College of Education. Dr. Nawafleh, a Jordanian national, holds a Bachelor's degree in Education, a Master's degree in Counseling Psychology, and a Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology. He has extensive experience as a consultant, psychologist, educator, and university professor. In addition, he has held several administrative positions. He has eight published research papers in reputable scientific journals and possesses strong leadership skills and expertise in policy-making.

Successful Integration of Statistics Unit into University Media Center. Collaboration and Progress Discussed during Meeting with Vice Chancellor



Doctor Omar Al-Maqrami, the Vice Chancellor of the University - Main Center, expressed satisfaction with the university's significant progress across all areas. This achievement was attributed to the dedicated efforts of all departments, administrations, and supporting faculties over the past three years.

A meeting was held between the Vice Chancellor, Eng. Abdullah Al-Mansoub, the Media Center Director, and Ms. Eman Abdulaziz, the Director of the Statistics Unit at the university. Dr. Omar commended their outstanding performance and fruitful collaboration after integrating the Statistics Unit into the Media Center. He specifically praised the quick work of the Statistics Unit, which provided comprehensive statistics on the university's activities within a short period of eight weeks.

The meeting, which took place on Saturday, January 6th, focused on discussing the progress made following the integration of the Statistics Unit into the Media Center. Eng. Abdullah Al-Mansoub expressed his gratitude for the Vice Chancellor's guidance regarding the integration and reaffirmed his commitment to upholding the university's reputation. They discussed collaboration mechanisms and emphasized the importance of clarity in their work. The meeting concluded with an agreement on appropriate data collection and presentation methods.

Ms. Eman Abdulaziz highlighted that the establishment of the Statistics Unit was driven by the Vice Chancellor's vision. She expressed her satisfaction with the integration into the Media Center, considering it her primary home. She also expressed her belief that collaboration with Eng. Abdullah Al-Mansoub will further support their efforts in providing reliable and useful data and statistics for the university.

In conclusion, the Vice Chancellor, the Media Center Director, and the Director of the Statistics Unit expressed their aspirations for a bright future for the University. They pledged to work together and maintain continuous cooperation to achieve the university's vision and strategic goals.



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Graduate Studies Deanship

Seminar Held to Discuss Research Plan for Master's Degree

On Tuesday, December 2023, 19, a seminar was conducted via the Zoom application at the Faculty of Education Sciences - Department of Curriculum and Teaching Methods, in collaboration with the Graduate Studies Deanery at the Islamic University of Minnesota - Main Center. The purpose of the seminar was to discuss a research plan presented by researcher Khuloud Ramadan Khalil Al-Ghoul, who is pursuing a Master's degree in Curriculum.

The examining committee consisted of Dr. Mohamed Husni Mousa, the Head of the Department of Curriculum and Teaching Methods, who chaired the committee, and two members, Dr. Talat Najah Ismail and Dr. Talat Mohammed Aldardeer.

During the session, the presented research plan was discussed and reviewed. The researcher provided a detailed explanation of the research objectives, methodology, and expected data analysis. The committee members raised questions, provided appropriate feedback, and offered recommendations.

At the end of the session, the committee expressed appreciation for the researcher's efforts and praised the quality of the research plan presented. Necessary recommendations were provided to assist the researcher in improving and developing her research.

This session is part of a series of activities and events organized by the Graduate Studies Deanery to support and encourage research students and enhance their academic excellence.



Ghayath Ibrahim Earns Doctorate Degree

Researcher Ghayath Ahmed Ibrahim, from the Department of Business Administration at the College of Economics and Business Administration, has obtained a doctorate degree in Business Administration after successfully defending his dissertation titled "Total Quality Management and Its Impact on Competitive Advantage in a Number of Family-Owned Food Institutions in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia." The public session, conducted by the Graduate Studies Dean's Office at the Islamic University in Minnesota - Main Center, took place on Friday, December 2023, 29.

The dissertation committee consisted of Dr. Mohammed Younis Hamida, Head of the Department of Business Administration at the Islamic University in Minnesota, serving as the committee chair, Dr. Lina Mohamed Ahmed Babaker, faculty member at the Islamic University in Minnesota, serving as the supervisor, Dr. Abdulrahim bin Abdul Salam bin Hizam Al-Shamiri, faculty member at the Islamic University in Minnesota, serving as the internal examiner, and Professor Dr. Mamdouh Mustafa Halawa, Head of the Electrical Engineering Metrology Department at the National Institute for Standards and Metrology in Egypt, serving as the external examiner.



Hisham Jambi Earns Ph.D. in Creed

Hisham Hussein Abdulhamid Jambi successfully defended his doctoral dissertation titled "Creedal Views of Ibn Nuh (d. 708 AH) through his Singular Book 'Suluk Tarik Ahl al-Tawhid': An Analytical and Critical Study." The public session for the defense was held by the Dean of Graduate Studies at the University of Minnesota on Saturday, December 2023, 23.

The examination committee consisted of Assistant Professor Abdurrahman Abu Almajd, faculty member at the University of Minnesota, serving as the supervisor; Dr. Imam Abdel Ati Ma'moun Al-Khadrawi, faculty member at the University of Minnesota, serving as the internal examiner; and Dr. Emad El-Din Abdo Al-Ageeli, Head of the Department of Creed at Al-Azhar University, serving as the external examiner.



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Graduate Studies Deanship

Dean of Graduate Studies Approves Researcher Aisha Bustani's Plan

The Dean of Graduate Studies at the Islamic University in Minnesota - Main Center has approved the plan prepared by researcher Aisha Abdullah Bastani to obtain a Master's degree in Jurisprudence from the Department of Jurisprudence and its Principles at the College of Sharia and Law.

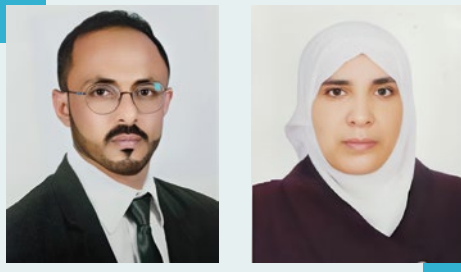
The approval of the Dean came after a seminar session held to discuss the plan on Sunday, December 2023, 31. The session was conducted by a committee consisting of Dr. Salah Faraj, Head of the Department of Jurisprudence and its Principles, as the committee chair, Dr. Amal Ghuneim, as a member, Dr. Mustafa Ahmed Hussein, as a member, and Dr. Murad Awda, as an academic advisor.



Research Plan for Ph.D. Approved

The Graduate Studies Deanship at the Islamic University in Minnesota - Main Center has approved a research plan for obtaining a Ph.D. in Educational Psychology, prepared by the researcher Faisal bin Hamdi Ali Al-Juhani. The plan was approved after a seminar session held at the College of Education - Department of Educational Psychology on Friday, December 2023, 15.

The examination committee consisted of Dr. Thamer Obaidat, the Head of the Educational Psychology Department, as the chair, along with Dr. Bayan Araidha and Dr. Anas Nawafeleh, as members.



Special Meeting Held for Bachelor's Degree Students

On Friday, December 2023 ,22, at 8:00 PM Mecca time, a special meeting took place by Suleiman Maqboul, the Director of the Bachelor's Affairs Unit, and Dr. Fatima Jumaa Al-Wahsh, the Director of the Development and Quality Unit, along with bachelor's degree students who were nearing graduation.

Maqboul commenced the meeting with a welcoming speech, expressing his appreciation for Dr. Fatima Jumaa Al-Wahsh, who oversees graduation research for bachelor's degree students, and the approximately one hundred students present. He then explained the graduation procedures and the important requirements that students must adhere to before starting their research projects.

Following that, Dr. Fatima delivered a lecture explaining the process of writing a scientific research paper to fulfill the requirements for obtaining a bachelor's degree. She covered

various aspects, starting from defining the graduation research and selecting an appropriate topic with its conditions, identifying the study's problem and related questions, formulating objectives, emphasizing the significance of the subject matter, discussing the research methodology, setting objective limitations regarding time, place, and previous studies, developing a research plan with its divisions, documentation methods, technical guidelines, and formatting considerations such as font type and size. She also provided advice related to the research process and addressed all the inquiries raised by the graduating students.

This meeting is part of Suleiman Maqboul's efforts to assist students in overcoming obstacles encountered throughout the educational journey.



Resume Writing and Successful Interviewing Workshop Empowers Students

The Training, Development, and Community Programs Center, in collaboration with the College of Economics and Business Administration at the Islamic University of Minnesota, organized a major workshop entitled "Resume Writing and Successful Interviewing." The workshop was delivered by Dr. Mohammed bin Yunus Hamida, the head of the Business Administration Department at the College of Economics and Business Administration. The workshop took place on Saturday, December ,30 2023.

In conducting the workshop, Dr. Hamida combined principles of business administration with principles of human development, addressing the practical aspects necessary for job applicants or similar positions.

The workshop targeted students from within and outside the university and was conducted via the Zoom platform. Attendees were awarded accredited certificates by the university, which were uploaded to the Training, Development, and Community Programs Center platform on the official website of the university.



Successful Lecture on Self-Management Draws Praise

The Training and Development Center for Community Programs at the Islamic University of Minnesota organized a lecture on "Self-Management" delivered by Dr. Mohammed Dhaifullah Al-Qarni, an Assistant Professor in the Family Counseling Department. The lecture covered various topics, including the definition of self, its significance in the Holy Quran, and its concept according to psychologists. It also discussed self-perception, self-esteem, and factors that affect self-esteem. Practical aspects of self-management, such as managing change and setting goals, were also covered.

Dr. Al-Qarni shared 15 practical skills and a self-management program consisting of 20 principles. The lecture aimed to empower individuals to improve their abilities in dealing with themselves and achieve personal and professional success. It received positive feedback, and Dr. Al-Qarni has been invited to give more lectures and workshops in the future. For more information about training programs and future lectures at the Islamic University of Minnesota, interested individuals can visit the university's website or contact the Training and Development Center for Community Programs.

The Counseling and Guidance Unit, in collaboration with the Legal Affairs Unit and the Training, Development, and Community Programs Center, organized a lecture titled 'Rights and Responsibilities of University Students' at the Islamic University of Minnesota - Main Campus. The lecture was presented by Dr. Mohammed Shuaib Abdulmaqsoud, the Director of Legal Affairs at the university, on Friday, December 2023 ,1.

Delivered online via Zoom, the lecture coincided with the upcoming commencement of the second semester, scheduled to begin on December 9th of the same year. The lecture targeted students within the university.



Abdulmaqsoud Addresses University Students

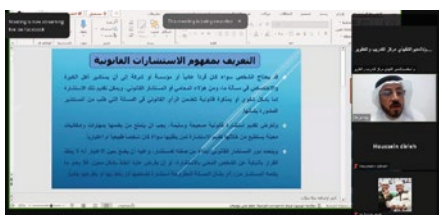
The Training, Development, and Community Programs Center at the Islamic University of Minnesota - Main Center organized a lecture titled "Winter Rulings" presented by Dr. Aabai Mohammed Mahmoud Al-Shanqiti on Thursday, December ,21 2023.

The lecture targeted students both within and outside the university, and it was broadcasted through the Zoom application, lasting for an hour and a half. The lecture coincided with the onset of the cold winter season, with temperatures reaching their lowest points in December and January.

As usual, the center distributed accredited participation certificates to the attendees through its platform on the official university website.



Training Center Holds Winter Rulings Lecture



Lecture on Legal Consultation Skills

The Training and Development Center for Community Programs at the University of Minnesota recently organized a lecture titled "Legal Consultation Skills." The lecture was delivered by Dr. Jamal Abdulaziz Al-Othman, an Assistant Professor at the College of Sharia and Law.

The lecture was conducted via Zoom on Monday, December 4th, 2023, and lasted for two hours. It targeted both university students and external participants.

Following the lecture, the Training Center distributed certified certificates from the university to the attendees. The certificates were distributed through the center's platform on the official university website.



University's Training Center Organizes Workshop

Islamic University of Minnesota's Training, Development, and Community Programs Center Organized a Workshop on "Personal Budget Management" conducted by Dr. Issa Al-Farjat, a lecturer at the College of Economics and Management, via Zoom on Tuesday, December 2023 ,5.

The workshop targeted all students, both from within and outside the university. Then the Training Center distributed accredited certificates to the attendees through its platform on the university's official website.



Enhancing Performance and Quality. Al-Mansoub Holds Productive Meetings with Department Heads

Engineer Abdullah Al-Mansoub, the director of the Media Center, recently conducted a series of meetings with department heads to improve performance and ensure high-quality products and services. During the meeting with the Editing Department, they discussed the department's action plan for the upcoming phase and identified requirements to cover various activities and events. They also presented the university's achievements and emphasized the importance of enhancing the quality of digital content, applying quality standards in future projects, and providing comprehensive evaluation reports.

Next, Al-Mansoub held a meeting with the Publishing Department to review the publishing plan for the previous period and address the planning for the upcoming period. They discussed ideas and proposals necessary for implementation, set new deadlines for unpublished works, and emphasized internal coordination of publishing among the university's affiliated centers.

In the third meeting, Al-Mansoub met with the Archiving Department to discuss the improvement of the search tool in the archive and implement important ideas for the January plan. They also focused on expediting the processing of requests from administrative units.

Al-Mansoub commended the efforts of the various departments and recognized their contribution in providing products and services that meet the university's needs. He expressed optimism in achieving effectiveness, quality, and excellence in the university's media performance through his personal efforts in managing the Media Center.

University Releases Two New Guides



The Training, Development, and Community Programs Center at the Islamic University in Minnesota - Main Center has published two new guides. These guides provide valuable information and instructions for faculty members and students regarding their respective areas of focus.

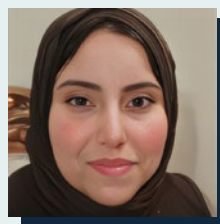
The Faculty Guidance Manual offers comprehensive guidance for faculty members, providing them with essential resources and strategies to enhance their teaching and research skills. It covers various aspects such as effective pedagogy, curriculum development, assessment methods, and student engagement techniques. This manual aims to support faculty members in their professional growth and contribute to the overall quality of education at the university.

Additionally, the Guide for Writing Graduation Research serves as a valuable resource for students embarking on their graduation research projects. It offers step-by-step guidance on selecting a research topic, conducting literature reviews, formulating research questions, collecting and analyzing data, and presenting research findings. This guide emphasizes the importance of research integrity, proper citation and referencing, and clear academic writing. It equips students with the necessary tools to produce high-quality research papers that meet academic standards.

The release of these guides reflects the commitment of the Islamic University in Minnesota to provide comprehensive support and resources for both faculty members and students. These guides will undoubtedly facilitate the academic and professional development of the university community.



Language and Translation Center Offers Diverse Language Courses for Non-Speakers



The Language and Translation Center at the Islamic University of Minnesota Main Center, led by doctor Zainab Ali Basyouni, is committed to providing language courses for non-speakers. The center offers courses in English, Spanish, and Arabic.

Recently, the center successfully concluded the first level course in Spanish, taught by doctor Ali El-Shaboul. They have also launched the second level course in Spanish, which is being taught by the same instructor.

In addition, the center completed the beginners' course in English, taught by a team of professors from the English Language Department, including doctor Rahab Samir, doctor Khaled Amayreh, doctor Khaled Al-Shahawi, and doctor Dina Khafaji. The center has announced the upcoming second level course in English, which will be taught by doctor Khafaji.

Furthermore, the center is currently preparing for a course in the Arabic language for non-speakers.

Doctor Zainab highlighted that the center's priority is to select highly qualified specialists to ensure the best learning experience for students. Under the leadership of Professor Dr. Ismail Hamed, the center aims to fulfill the aspirations and ambitions of learners seeking to acquire these languages.



Quranic Recitation Center Launches Free Arabic Language Training Course for Non-Native Speakers

The Quranic Recitation Center at the Islamic University of Minnesota has launched a training course for individuals interested in learning the Arabic language, particularly non-native speakers and those who struggle with pronunciation.

The training course, titled "The Civilized Foundation in the Noble Mosque of the Prophet," was conducted by the esteemed instructor Hanin Tayba Al-Hashimiyah. It took place on Thursday, December 2023, 28, corresponding to the 15th of Jumada Al-Thani, 1445 H.

The course is notable for being free of charge and was broadcasted through the Telegram application. It is distinguished by its scientific foundations based on language textbooks and comprehensive coverage of recitation rules. The course emphasizes a gradual approach to learning and mastering reading skills within a short period of time. It incorporates examples from the Noble Quran and the Prophetic traditions, utilizing clear and non-repetitive explanations. Additionally, it includes examples of reading words related to the principles of religion and ethics. An accompanying electronic application is available to assist in correct listening and reading, and a practice book is provided using the same examples.



Successful Meeting of Undergraduate Student Affairs Unit

On Tuesday, December 2023, 19, a meeting was held for the undergraduate student affairs team, chaired by Mr. Suleiman Maqboul. During the meeting, the team discussed the unit's tasks, such as enrolling students in their respective majors, scheduling courses, and updating student lists.

The tasks were distributed among the team members, with a focus on following and documenting instructions, updating student lists, monitoring student matters during exams, organizing achievement files, and tracking disciplined and absent students.

Mr. Maqboul emphasized the importance of cooperation, precision, and encouraging creative thinking and constructive opinions.

The meeting also addressed the advantages that would contribute to improving the educational process and ensuring its quality. In addition to Mr. Suleiman, the meeting was attended by Ms. Nada Ismail, Ms. Afnan Fuad, Ms. Rawan Nabil, and Ms. Amna Ali.