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## AAU ranked within 71-80 among top 100 Arab universities by QS



According to QS Arab Region University Rankings 2021, Al Ain University (AAU) has been ranked within the top 7180- Arab universities. Which proves the distinguished performance of the university in terms of developing the education.

Dr. Noor El Deen Atatreh, AAU Chancellor, said that; "This classification confirms the high position occupied by Al Ain University among other universities, it also, stimulates the AAU community to work efficiently in the upcoming years to improve the quality of education

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## A research team from AAU wins a financial grant from Al Jalila Foundation to find a treatment for Covid-19



A scientific team from Al Ain University won the academic grant provided by Al Jalila Foundation (A Member of the Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum Global Initiatives), which valued at five hundred thousand Dirhams for a period of two years.

The winning research which aims to discover new drug compounds as a potential treatment of COVID-19 via targeting the main protease enzyme (Mpro) of the virus, was led by Dr. Mohammed Ghattas, Deputy Dean of the College of Pharmacy at Al Ain University (AAU),

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## Al Ain University allocates scholarships to the Front Line of Defense

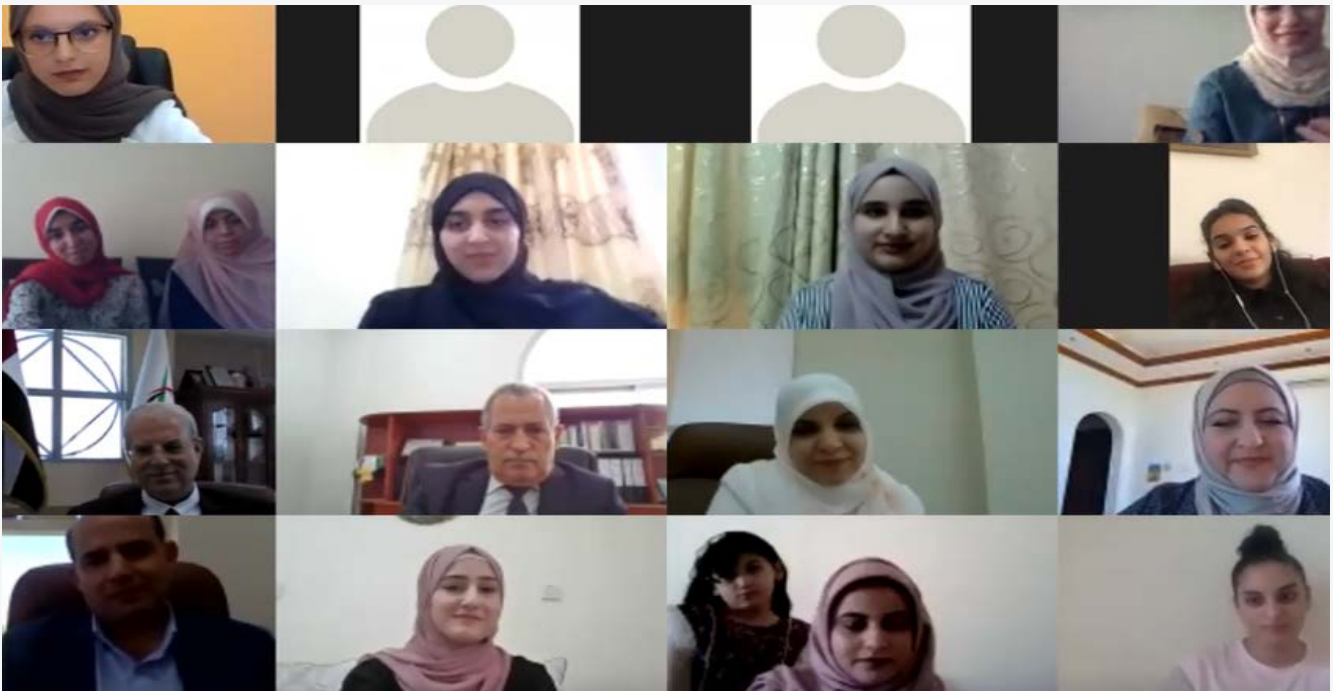


Al Ain University announced the allocation of four scholarships (two in Al Ain and 2 in Abu Dhabi) for the front line of defense, their spouses and children, who would like to register in the bachelor programs in the university by the second semester of the academic year 2020/2021-. Through this initiative, the university seeks to support workers on the front line of defense in appreciation of their continued contributions to ensure the protection and safety of the UAE population, both citizens and residents.

Dr. Noor El Deen Atatreh, AAU Chancellor, affirmed that the UAE has provided a unique model during the current health conditions affecting the whole world, and our wise leadership has provided all paths of decent life for citizens and residents, and all these efforts culminated in the honorable role provided by the workers

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## Al Ain University organises a virtual honouring celebration for the second time



Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, President of Al Ain University stressed on the University's keenness to pay attention to all students, especially the distinguished ones, pointing out that excellence is a trait that distinguishes the student from his peers, whether in the university

or after graduation. Where he said during the virtual celebration organized by the Deanship of Student Affairs (Al Ain Campus) to honor the distinguished students of the second semester 2019/2020-, under the supervision of Prof. Ibtehal Abu Rezeq, Dean of Student Affairs,

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## Al Ain Club honors AAU professors on the occasion of Teacher's Day, and the AAU President presented the appreciation certificates



As an appreciation of their efforts and unlimited dedication throughout their academic career, and on the occasion of the World Teacher's Day, Al Ain Club honored Dr. Khairi Mustafa, Dean of the College of Pharmacy, and Dr. Abdel Ghani Ramache, Director of the English Language Teaching

Program in the College of Education, Humanities and Social Sciences, as they are the oldest professors at Al Ain University (Al Ain Campus). In the context of health measures to confront the emerging corona virus and to take all precautionary

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## AAU President meets new students virtually



Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, AAU President, met the new students who joined Al Ain University in the first semester of the academic year 20202021-, through a virtual meeting organized by the Deanship of Student Affairs via Microsoft Teams, which is considered the first welcoming meeting which gathered students from both campuses. In the presence of Dr. Amer Qasem, AAU Vice President, the Deans, Prof. Ibtehal Aburezeq, Dean of Student Affairs, and Dr. Hani Al Jarrah, Deputy Dean.

Prof. El Refae, welcomed the new students and stressed that all the AAU's staff will take care and support them. In addition to, provide all the services for the students to create an appropriate atmosphere to facilitate the educational process, especially in the current situation due to the Corona pandemic. He also indicated that the university embraces all students with all their creativity, energies, talents, and appreciating choosing Al Ain University to start their career.

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## AAU President stressed on the importance of Entrepreneurship in graduate studies



On the occasion of the World Development Information Day coinciding on 24th October, the Deanship of Student Affairs, in cooperation with the Development and follow-up Unit, organized a seminar entitled: GRADUATE STUDIES ... "IS IT A DEGREE OR AN ENTREPRENEURSHIP", presented by Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, AAU President, and moderated by Prof. Ibtihal Aburezeq, Dean of Student Affairs and Director of

Development and follow-up, along with the presence of faculty members and master's students.

Prof. Abu Rezeq started the session by introducing the various international days that were created by the United Nations, which aims to; spread awareness among people about the important issues in society and works to address those issues, enhance achievements,

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## Engineering College discuss the Communication Environments for 6G Wireless Systems



The College of Engineering at Al Ain University (Al Ain and Abu Dhabi) campuses organized a virtual seminar on Communication Environments for 6G Wireless Systems, was presented by Prof. Raed

Mesleh, Dean and Professor, School of Electrical Engineering & Information technology, German Jordanian University, organized by Prof. Sahel Alouneh and Prof. Zina Houhamdi, and attended

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## Emirates Foundation introduce Protocols and Etiquette for AAU students

In cooperation with the Emirates Foundation, the Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University, Abu Dhabi campus, organized a virtual workshop on Protocols and Etiquettes, presented by Dr. Qasem Al Omari from the Emirates foundation.

The presenter talked about the protocols and policies followed in the UAE, and how to deal with different situations which requires awareness about the rules and protocols of multicultural societies. In addition to a detailed explanation on the cultural differences between countries, and how it affects the diplomatic norms and international protocols.



## College of Education supports the blind people on the White Cane Day

On the occasion of the International White Cane Day, Ghayathi Center for care and rehabilitation affiliated to Zayed Higher Organization for People of Determination, hosted, Dr. Salwa Al Majali, Director of Special Education and Applied Psychology Programs at Al Ain University, Abu Dhabi Campus, to present a virtual lecture entitled Psychosocial support for the families of the blind people.

Student Ali Al Meri, from the College of Education, Humanities and Social Sciences at Al Ain University, Abu Dhabi Campus, shared his experience of studying in Al Ain University.



## AAU discusses the UAE universities' experiences in distance learning

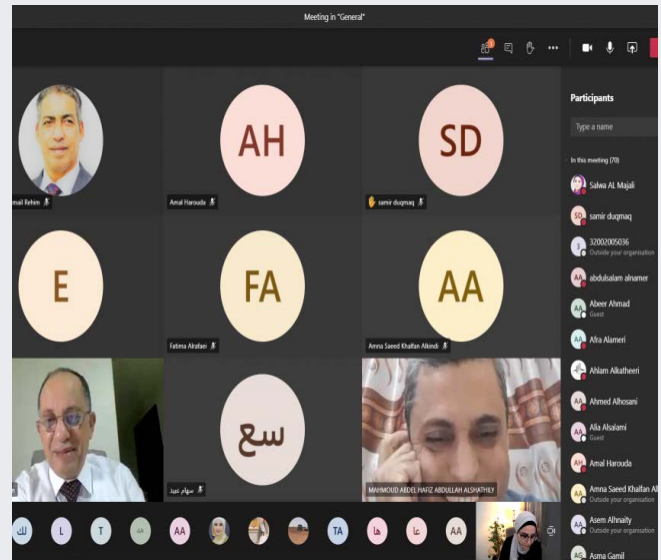
The College of Engineering at Al Ain University –Abu Dhabi Campus- conducted a virtual workshop entitled “Increasing online students’ engagements during COVID-19: UAE Universities’ Trials and Visions”. The workshop aimed to discuss how the colleges and universities in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) have responded with energy and skills to engage online learning in their institutions at least until the end of the Academic Year 2019/2020- in spite of the current crisis of COVID-19.



## A Virtual Seminar on the Psychological Effect of Distance Education

On the occasion of the World Mental Health Day, the College of Education, Humanities and Social Sciences at Al Ain University (Al Ain Campus), represented by the Applied Psychology program, organized a virtual seminar entitled the Psychological Effect of Distance Education, supervised by Dr. Salwa Al Majali, Director of Special Education and Applied Psychology Programs, and presented by Prof. Yousef Abuhmaidan, Specialist in Applied Psychology at AAU. In the presence of approximately 100 people from the United Arab Emirates, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Oman and Egypt.

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## A virtual awareness lecture on Breast Cancer

Coinciding with the World Breast Cancer Awareness Month and under the slogan «Together, to Fight and Eliminate Cancer», the Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University, Abu Dhabi campus, in cooperation with Mediclinic Hospital, organized a virtual awareness lecture on Breast Cancer, presented by Dr. Maha Al Douri, General Practitioner, Official health assessment clinic in Mediclinic Hospital, Abu Dhabi. The discussion covered the factors causing breast cancer, the mechanism of self-examination of the disease, and the importance of radiotherapy or mammogram screening for women above the age of 40, or women with a family history of the disease.

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## Free vaccination campaign against seasonal flu

The Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University, Abu Dhabi Campus, organized a free vaccination campaign against seasonal flu in cooperation with Mohamed bin Zayed City Healthcare Center for the academic and administrative staff at AAU.

Al Ain University was keen to implement all precautionary measures during the vaccination campaign and to commit in wearing masks, sterilizing the place, and applying social distancing as part of the measures to prevent Covid-19.

Al-Ain University organizes annually a free vaccination campaign against flu, where the vaccination provides protection against common viruses that cause disease.

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## A Virtual tour in the National Archives Highlighted on the UAE History

The Deanship of Student Affairs (Abu Dhabi campus) organized a virtual tour in the National Archives, in collaboration with the National Archives (A division of the Ministry of Presidential Affairs), presented by Mrs. Aisha Al Zaabi, Senior educational programs officer.

The Participants watched a 3D documentary video about the United Arab Emirates history, also a group of photos and documents located in the Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Hall, about the UAE and its auspicious union. In addition to, a tour of the Emirates library and its books.

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## A virtual session on Promoting an Entrepreneurial Mindset

In collaboration with Abu Dhabi School of Government, Dr. Jamil Razmak, Director of Business Administration Program and Assistant professor at the College of Business of Al Ain University, Abu Dhabi campus, presented a virtual session about Promoting an Entrepreneurial Mindset in the workplace: Tales of Success.

The session was an overview of the entrepreneurial process and focuses on why people become entrepreneurs, the characteristics of successful entrepreneurs, the importance of entrepreneurship in the workplace. And, the three primary ways that entrepreneurs discover opportunities to benefit the workplace.

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## Virtual appreciation messages on the Teacher's Day

The Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University, Al Ain campus, celebrated the International Teacher's Day by hosting an elite of distinguished teachers at the UAE through a virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams.

Prof. Ibtehal Aburezeq, Dean of Student Affairs, expressed her pride in the teacher's endless generosity, and their efforts to build an educated generation. Emphasizing that the successes achieved in the educational field are based on the teacher who offers all capabilities in order to provide the future generations with the best science and advanced knowledge.

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