1. CONTINUING EDUCATION:

Seminar on Volunteer Leadership (Organized by CEC & CEWE)

A joint activity held in collaboration between CEC and CEWE (Center of Excellence for women Empowerment) was held on **February 23, 2014.** We have 3 speakers expounded the importance of Community Volunteerism discussed by the representative of INJAZ and Leadership Skills discussed by Dr. Hala Jamal. There 85 students participated in the event and Volunteer Students actively spearheaded the preparation of the activities. The event gave the students opportunity to develop self-confidence and discover their sense of leadership. We have meetings as part of the preparation for the event and the students were given guidance and orientation on how to organize an event. Teams were created and performed different event tasks. The artwork was created by one of the Volunteers and the program proper was officiated by other team.

2. Career guidance project (Organized by OSA)

Community engagement and OSA initiated and contacted schools to deliver lectures for the students concerning Career guidance and other subjects. Member of the CEC Dr. Illene Valian from FBFS and Duwa Alkhalifa from Public relations visited the first school Pakistan Urdu School on 10th Nov and delivered a lecture titled "How to choose your Career".

3. Soft Skills Training program (Organized by OSA)

Dr. Al-Barghouthi, in collaboration with Ernst & Young and the Office of Student Affairs, conducted a soft skills leadership development workshop for 40 students. on November 24th.

4. RUW, WVU, and Cambridge University Debate(Organized by CGS)

The committee, and as part of its initiative to assist other faculties organising events at RUW, assisted with the debate activity between RUW, WVU, and Cambridge university students hosted by CGS. The committee assisted by writing invitation letters and emails to a number of private schools inviting them to attend this event. Positive responses were received from a number of schools who actually sent delegations of their students to participate in this activity. More than forty students from British School of Bahrain ad Sheikha Hessa Girls School participated in the event.



RUW, WVU, and Cambridge University Debate

5. Visit from Shaikha Hessa Girls School (Organized by CBFS)

Students visited the University facilities and discussed Entrepreneurship, Forensic Accounting and the possibility of students taking advanced business credits at the School and transfer credits to the University with the Vice President of Academic Affairs and the Dean of Business & Financial Sciences.

The students from Shaikha Hessa Girls School visited the RUW campus twice this year. Once on February 3rd as part of the PR Campus Tour, and on March 24th when they came for the West Virginia debate with our students.

6. Al-Aali Art Festival Participation (Organized by CAD)

The College of Art and Design was invited to participate and display its students work in Graphic, Interior and Fashion Design at the annual Al Aali Art Fest organized at Aali Shopping Complex on 8-11th April 2015.

CAD participated with a large display of art work including painting, wire sculptures, photography, Interior design, and Fashion design.

The FAD booth was very popular attracting a good audience of people who found the displayed work very exciting. Many people inquired about the various majors offered in CAD including the Masters programs offered at RUW.

The Festival organizers were very impressed by the CAD display and requested to keep the Fashion work on display for an additional 4 days after the festival ended.



7. Universities Debate Event (Organized by CEC & OSA)

Dr. Al-Barghouthi from CEC and Ms. Alkurdi from OSA participated as panel members in the "Universities debate hosted at RUW, under the patronage and supervision of The "Public Institute for Youth and Sports" on April 20-22, 2015.

The event included 13 universities form various local, regional and other Arab universities. The final debate was honored by Sheikh Nasser ben Hamad's visit.

8. AIESEC presentation (Organized by CEC)

The Community Education Committee in collaboration with AIESEC presented a lecture entitled:

"You are the Community Change Agent": Discovering the opportunities and ways to be engaged in the community through AIESEC; on May 4th,2015. The presentation, which focused on spreading awareness amongst young people in Bahrain on becoming engaged in their communities and in the world, was delivered by a number of young AIESEC members who gave a brief about AIESEC's work and introduced the LEAP program which encourages youth to engage in community service, and volunteer work. The LEAP program mainly encourages youth to participate in internships around the world.

The event was initiated by Dr. Ilene and Ms. Batool Alwedaei, an AIESEC representative and a student in CBFS. The RUW students who participated in this event were interactive with the presenters and showed interest in the program. The AIESEC members set-up a table in the cafeteria for three days to help promote the program amongst RUW and AIESEC has presented a draft of and MOU to collaborate with RUW.



9. Capital Mall (Organized by CBFS)

Dr. Ilene Valian was invited to attend a meeting and discussed a proposal to visit micro-preneurs in the Ministry of Social Development at Capital Mall. Dr. Valian and Dr. Mehrotra will schedule a suitable time to attend the

Mall. Student's immersion to help develop simple business plan with the micro-business entrepreneurs is scheduled on October 2015.

10. InJaz (Organized by CEC)

Dr. Samar Al-Barghouthi continued to work closely with the Coca Cola sponsored Ripple of Happiness Project. This Project is part of a community service targeting Bahraini youth encouraging them to volunteer in the community and requires both commitment and dedication from students. For semester one Weekly meetings were held with representatives from InJaz and training included "Obesity between children awareness campaign". The university achieved the third rank between Bahraini universities.

For the second semester, students designed a campaign "going green for sustaining the environment", students have fulfilled all the project requirements and submitted on time, waiting for the results to be announced next month. The experiential learning component of this activity benefits our students and fulfils the essential concept of Community Engagement Policy 3.2.

The A credit concept encouraged the students to participate and contribute to the project.



RUW's particpation in InJaz, 2015

11. Skills Bahrain Training Center (Organized by CAD)

As an organized outreach, Dr. Hazem Hussein, through Skills Bahrain, was responsible for the training and supervision of 8 Bahraini students from different universities in graphic design for a total of 260 hours, 130 hours of this time was offered for free as per Policy 3.4. In this same realm Dr. Shweta

Kinra, Dr. Nessreen Elmelegy, and Dr. Mona Suri participated as trainers and judges for the fashion design team at the competition.

Faculty Lecturer, Mr. Sami Dagash was nominated as a member in Bahrain Skills Committee which was formed by Minister of Education Dr. Majid bin Ali Al Nuaimi; the committee members representing government and private sectors in Bahrain.

The committee supervised the preparations for the national competition "Skills Bahrain" and trained the teams for regional and international skills competitions as well.

Mr. Dagash participated as an expert and Judge in Bahrain skills competition (Web Design Skill team).



Web Design Skills Team at Skills Bahrain Training Center





Graphic Design and Fashion design Teams receiving awards at Skills Bahrain