

Welcome Note from the Dean of the College of Engineering



Dr Janon Kadhim
Dean, College of Engineering

Happy New Year! Hope 2019 is a year full of great achievements for all our RUW family and community!

It gives me great pleasure to share with you some words about RUW's College of Engineering, the newest addition to the Royal University for Women in its strive to provide outstanding learning opportunities and experiences to students from the all over the world.

The Kingdom of Bahrain, in its quest to develop a knowledge-based economy, has been dedicating great efforts towards encouraging all activities and professions that lead towards this. In this regard specialized fields like STEM studies have gained great importance. In RUW's quest to support the Kingdom's Vision by providing outstanding educational opportunities for our students, it launched the College of Engineering in AY 2017-18. This College envisions to be the center for introducing various STEM related studies. As the college grows in the years to come we will focus on introducing many programmes which will study the local and regional market needs, and strive to bring the best programmes to the region.

Thus far, the College of Engineering has developed an outstanding collaboration with RUW's strategic partner, West Virginia University (WVU), (USA), by hosting the WVU Civil Engineering Programme. The programme was launched on the new RUW-WVU Bahrain campus in October 2017, and this 2018-19 academic year we welcomed our 2nd cohort of enthusiastic students who have come to this programme with a dream to pursue and gain a USA educational experience, in Bahrain, from a renowned American university with over 150 years of exceptional educational experience. They have joined this programme with a passionate goal to become outstanding professionals in the field of Civil Engineering and future leaders aiding in the development of their great country, the Kingdom of Bahrain.

While studying at RUW-WVU-CEE Bahrain Campus, I am certain you will greatly benefit from a well-balanced curriculum, knowledgeable faculty members, extraordinary facilities, and a well-rounded overall university experience which will prepare you for an exceptional career and profession.

Wishing you all an outstanding second semester!!

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RUW Mission

To offer our students a rewarding and challenging multi-cultural learning environment that cultivates strong, well-rounded personalities, encourages leadership, and builds character, social consciousness and community. To realize our commitment to teaching, learning, research and service through the activities of all members of the University community.

RUW Vision

"The Royal University for Women will become the regional leader in academic excellence for women. Programmes and practices that meet international standards will prepare our graduates to become leaders who are engaged members of their society demonstrating initiative & life-long habits of learning and individual development. The RUW graduate will be creative, confident and forward thinking."

Academic Programmes Offered at RUW

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- Centre for General Studies
 - English for Academic Success
- College of Art and Design
 - Edexcel Foundation Diploma in Art & Design
 - Bachelor of Arts in Fashion Design
 - Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Design
 - Bachelor of Arts in Interior Design
 - Bachelor in Architectural Design
 - Master of Design Management
 - Master of Fine Arts in Drawing and Painting

- College of Business and Financial Sciences
 - Bachelor of Business in Banking & Finance
 - Bachelor of Business in Human Resource Management
 - Bachelor of Business in International Business
 - Bachelor of Business in Marketing

- College of Law
 - Bachelor of Law

- College of Engineering
 - B.Sc. Civil Engineering (West Virginia University programme hosted by RUW)

ومضات في مسيرة الفريق طبيب الشيخ محمد بن عبدالله آل خليفة
رئيس المجلس الأعلى للصحة



لا تزال مملكة البحرين تفخر وتزخر برجالاتها الأوفياء الذين وضعوا بصماتهم الخيرة، ورؤيتهم الثاقبة في رقي الوطن وشموحه، وتطوره وتقدمه في جميع المجالات التي من شأنها أن تجعل مملكة البحرين في مقدمة الدول المتقدمة

ومن تلك الشخصيات التي تميزت بقيادتها الفاعلة، وفكرها المبدع في جميع المناصب التي تدرجت فيها الفريق طبيب الشيخ محمد بن عبدالله آل خليفة رئيس المجلس الأعلى للصحة

تميز الشيخ محمد آل خليفة، بسعيه الدؤوب، وميله إلى تحقيق التميز من خلال وعيه وفكره التطويري الذي يتطلع دائماً نحو الوصول إلى الأفضل والأتمثل، من خلال الرؤية المستقبلية التي يرنو إلى تحقيقها تحديداً في المجال الطبي الذي تخصص وأبدع فيه، وكان يترحم رؤيته إلى أفعال وقدرات وتوجهيات تساعد جميع العاملين معه على التفكير المبدع والابتكار. برع الشيخ محمد آل خليفة في الطب منذ نشأته الطبية الأولى في المستشفى العسكري، وكان يشجع على البحوث الطبية والتطوير في المجال الطبي إلى أن تم تخصيص جائزة للبحث العلمي باسمه (جائزة الدكتور محمد بن عبدالله آل خليفة للبحث العلمي) والتي تمنح لأفضل البحوث الطبية

وبعد أن شغل منصب وزير الدولة لشؤون الدفاع، واصل المسير في طريق الجودة والتميز فوضع بصمته في وضع برنامج التميز ومنهجيته واستراتيجيته وآليات وكما أشرف على برنامج مركز البحرين للتميز التي أقرها مجلس الوزراء وقدم إبداعاته وإسهامته من خلال أعداد المشاريع وبرامج التميز للمؤسسات الحكومية مملكة البحرين وتنفيذه للمدريات والوحدات الإدارية ضمن الإطار العام لقوة دفاع البحرين وكان لبرنامج التميز ابلغ الأثر في تطبيق الجودة والسير نحو التميز بما ينسجم مع الرؤية الاقتصادية لمملكة البحرين 2030م

وها هو اليوم بفكره الواضح النير ينتهج ذات المنهج وهو يتأسر المجلس الأعلى للصحة، رغبة منه في تطوير كافة الخدمات الصحية التي تقدم لجميع من ينعم بالحياة على أرض المملكة

وهذه الكلمات قد لاتوفي الشيخ محمد بن عبدالله حقه في عطاءه الا محدود، وسعيه الحثيث في تقديم كل ما من شأنه رفعة الوطن. ولكنها ومضات يسيرة في مسيرة إحدى رجالات الوطن الذين تفخر بهم وأفنوا حياتهم في رفعة وتقدم وازدهار مملكة البحرين لمستقبل زاهر مشرف

بقلم الدكتور : راشد صقر الجلاهمة

National Day and Bahraini Women Day Celebrations



On December 11, under the patronage of Her Excellency Dr. Shaikha Mariam Bint Hassan Al Khalifa, Deputy President for the Supreme Council for Women, a prestigious and engaging ceremony was held at the Royal University for Women to celebrate the Bahrain National Day and Bahraini Women's Day at its premises in West Riffa in the presence of dignitaries in the legislative field and municipal work such as H.E Dr. Jehad AlFadhel, member of Shura Council in Kingdom of Bahrain, academics and students.

The ceremony organized by the Office of Student Affairs began with a welcoming speech from the Acting President Dr. David Stewart, in which he thanked Dr. Shaikha Mariam Bint Hassan for her patronage and constant support for this annual event throughout the years, for celebrating with us this very precious day of all Bahrainis as their National Day as well as acknowledging the development of Bahraini women in all sectors of society. He also expressed his pride at the Royal University for Women being the only all-female educational institution in the Kingdom of Bahrain that is solely dedicated to empower women through higher education and gave examples of a number of RUW graduates who now have prominent positions in the legislative field. Dr. Stewart lauded the important role of women in the Kingdom of Bahrain citing their outstanding achievements and how women have received high-ranking roles in all sectors through their will and determination to succeed in all kind of fields.

Southern Governorate honours RUW for supporting the festivals done by the Governorate



On December 27, His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Ali Al Khalifa, Governor of the Southern Governorate honoured the Royal University for Women for being one of the supporters of the festivals done by the Southern Governorate. With the presence of His Excellency Mr. Essa Najibi, ExCo Chairman of RUW.

Admissions are open for Semester 2 Academic Year 2018 – 2019



- College of Art & Design
- College of Law
- College of Business & Financial Sciences

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INJAZ Bahrain held an Award Ceremony for RUW achievement in INJAZ Al Arab Young Entrepreneurs competition



Under the patronage of Her Highness Shaikha Hessa Bint Khalifa Al Khalifa, Chairwoman of INJAZ Bahrain, an award ceremony was held to honor the victory of Royal University for Women team "TaaWin" which represented the Kingdom of Bahrain in the 12th Annual Young Entrepreneurs Competition held in Kuwait. TaaWin team won the Product of the Year Award. The honoring ceremony took place in the Royal University for Women campus. The event began with a speech by Her Highness Shaikha Hessa bint Khalifa Al Khalifa, Chairwoman of INJAZ Bahrain. In her speech she stated, "we are honored to commend the remarkable efforts of our students and would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the winning team, we are extremely proud of where we stand today and are looking forward for more success in the future. There are powerful potentials in our youth, with such tangible achievements Bahrain's future ought to be bright and optimistic" A speech was followed by Dr. David Stewart, the acting president of the Royal University for Women in which he expressed his pride in the winning team members; Alaa Shafeei, Fatema Assad, Asma Almulhem, Marwa Haider, Razan Jamal and Maryam Algaoud, on their achievement in this important regional competition. He emphasized on spreading the culture of entrepreneurship throughout RUW by offering a related course for RUW students. As well as great support of the entrepreneurship week annually held in RUW where the students obtain the skills for creating innovative ideas and translate them into action plans and unique projects. He stated that "this victory is the fruit of the hard work done by RUW students with the aim of rising the flag of Kingdom of Bahrain high and to emphasize on the high level of performance that RUW students, and Kingdom of Bahrain overall, deliver for achievements to be made".

Alumna of the Month

Background Information

Name: Ms. Fatima AlBuainain

Graduation Year: 2015

Professional Occupation:
Interior Designer

Involvement at RUW:
Graduated from the College of Art & Design with Distinction.

Her Words:

Interior design has been an interest of mine long before admission into the RUW program. I always believed that interior design is designing other life. This what truly inspired me to choose this career path.

An interior Designer, graduate of the Royal University for Women, Bahrain, I have experienced interior design as practical profession at Salva Amin Interiors firm.

I have also practiced designing privately where I have learnt the practical theory of the Interior Design career.

Currently, I'm freelancing design projects in Kingdom of Bahrain.

However, learning is a continuous process to be updated with new materials and designing issues in order to respond the needs of the community and the profession, and capable of addressing social, economic and environmental issues through the design process.

When designing, I am always attentive to people needs and details which magically enhance the overall design.

I focus on Islamic design with the beautiful ornaments and Islamic elements of decoration, such as water and the arabesque

Achievements:

- Free Lance Interior Design & founder of Fatima Interiors, working on projects in Kingdom of Bahrain.
- One of Ifara Design founders.
- Micro Blogger

Current Employment trends in Bahrain

On December 2, Office of Student Affairs organized Career Guidance Workshop by Ms. Najma Ghuloom, Partner at Majra.me. The workshop provided the participants an insight into the Bahrain workforce and job market and helped them understand the various trends that may affect their approach towards job hunting.

Question and Answer Session with RUW President

On December 4, Office of Student Affairs organized Question and Answer Session with RUW President Dr. David Stewart. During the session the students were encouraged to put forward their suggestions, recommendations and concerns.

Webinar on LexisNexis Law Database

On December 18, the library scheduled a webinar to introduce its newly subscribed Law Database from LexisNexis (LexisNexis Legal Library & LexisNexis Middle East law). The webinar was conducted by its resource person, Ms. Deeba Sharafuddin in which she explained how to access the database and the different ways of manipulating the available information for research needs of the user. Students and Faculty members from the College of Law attended the webinar.

Pearson Award Ceremony for Diploma in Art & Design



On December 5, College of Art and Design (CAD) organized the Award Ceremony for the BTEC Level 3 Foundation Diploma certificate in Art and Design. This diploma is for the joint, year 1 foundation program which all CAD BA programs enroll in. This foundation program is administered and verified by Pearson, UK. During his annual visit in May 2017, the Pearson External Verifier evaluated the results. As a result, he delivered and presented diplomas to RUW students during this ceremony. Students receiving the diploma were invited, along with their parents, to grace the occasion and witness the achievement of their efforts. RUW Acting President, Dr. Stewart and CAD's Dean Dr. Shweta enlightened the audience on the Pearson Award value and praised the students' achievements. A total of 35 students from CAD foundation program received diplomas this year.

RUW Workers' Appreciation Day



As part of the Community Service course activities, Ms. Amy Owen-AIKhaldi and her students organized an RUW Workers' Appreciation Day for cleaning, security, ICT, and facilities staff. The event was held on Thursday, December 20th from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM in the Student Center. The cheerful recognition event included giving gifts, fun activities, a pizza party and a photo booth.

CBFS Question and Answer Session

On December 24, College of Business and Financial Sciences hosted a question and answer session for CBFS students. A total of 68 students attended the session. Dr. Hala Elias, Dean of CBFS, Dr. Arpita Mehrotra HoD and Dr. Kasi HoD welcomed the students. Dr. Hala Elias provided an overview of the structure, programs offered, and graduation requirements. Dr. Hala spoke about the career opportunities for students graduating with degrees in: banking and finance, human resources, international business and marketing, and she noted the importance of master's degree. Furthermore, Dr. Hala explained the advising system and urged students to meet with their advisers frequently and register for semester 2. She also discussed feedback on the course delivery, course schedules and exam schedules and highlighted the good practices of the college. Students thanked the college management for hosting important workshops like SPSS and Excel. College management emphasized the necessity of attending classes regularly and making use of the teaching and learning taking place within the classroom.

Field visit to Central bank of Bahrain

On December 20, College of Business and Financial Sciences organized an educational field trip. Twenty-one students from Banking and Finance major, took an educational trip to Central bank of Bahrain under the supervision of Dr. Elizabeth. The trip was very informative and beneficial to the students. The students were first taken to the financial stability Directorate and the Director Mr. Mohammed Sadek gave a detailed presentation about the current financial infrastructure of the country. The presentation was an interactive session. Followed by the presentation, students were taken to the dealer room and showed how to do investment in different sectors and a short presentation was given by Mr. Isa. After the presentation they visited the Bahrain Money Museum and explained the currency evolution. The purpose of the visit was to make students of banking and finance of RUW aware of the inner workings of the Central bank to increase the knowledge and understanding of practical aspects of the banking and financial system. It was a very wonderful learning experience. The session was interactive, the students asked questions and discussed issues raised by the presenter.

Building A Technology Transfer Office (TTO) and University-Industry Partnerships

On December 2-3, Dr. Arpita A Mehrotra Head of Department of Banking and Finance in College of Business attended a round table discussion on "Building A Technology Transfer Office (TTO) and University-Industry Partnerships". The objective of the event was to understand the good practices of universities in USA and how Bahrain can work on similar lines with regards to TTOs. Furthermore, Dr. Arpita presented her recommendations regarding the technology transfer office at RUW in the monthly RUW senate meeting.

Arabic Language Students Educational Field Trip to Isa Cultural Center



On December 9, As part of a project-based field trip, Dr. AbdulRaheem Shaheen accompanied Arabic Language students (LAR 101) to Isa Cultural Center.

Students of Class BUS 302 ENTREPRENEURSHIPS

On December 30, the College of Business and Financial Sciences BUS 302 Entrepreneurship course, successfully held its Final Examinations featuring the Business Plan Presentation of 40 students enrolled. The event was examined by a panel made up of representatives from Tamkeen, BCCI, and UNIDO. Internal examiner for the event was Dr Vivien Exartier. There were 8 enterprising and innovative ideas presented by student-teams, supervised by Dr. Ilene Agana. The presentations were evaluated on set-criteria which focused on innovation, marketing strategies, and viability of the business plan. Students' presentations skills were also evaluated. The Dean of CBFS, Dr. Hala Elias and HoD, Dr. Arpita Mehrotra came to provide moral support and inspiration to student-teams.

Practical legal training skills Workshop

On December 4, College of Law organized a workshop on "Practical legal training skills" by Dr. Amber Brungoli, Assistant Vice President for Global Affairs and law school member, West Virginia University. The workshop addressed senior law students on practical courtroom skills.

Guest Lecture on Extraterritorial Jurisdiction

On December 5, College of Law Organized a lecture delivered by Dr. Amber Brugnoli from West Virginia University, for 3rd year law students in the course of Public International Law.

Trip to the Supreme Judicial Council and Criminal Court



On December 10, second year law students went on a field trip to the Criminal Court. They attended a hearing and were given a presentation by Ms. Sarah Hamidi from the Legal Services Department.

Elimination of Violence Against Women Lecture



On December 23, to honor the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, RUW College of Law organized a lecture delivered by Dr. Mohamed Almasry, Legal Consultant, Supreme Council for Women.

WVU Bahrain Campus Visited



Dr. Hema Siriwardane, Professor and Chairman, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at West Virginia University (WVU), Morgantown campus, visited the WVU Bahrain campus during the first week of December 2018. During his visit, Dr Siriwardane had several meetings with RUW management to strengthen ties and build upon current and future needs. Dr Siriwardane met with the students on several occasions for open discussions and to deliver presentations.

CGS Question and Answer Session

On December 5, the Centre for General Studies hosted a Question and Answer Session for English for Academic Success (EAS) Students. A total of 42 students attended the session. Dr Humam Elagha, Acting Director of the Centre for General Studies (CGS), welcomed the students to the Question & Answer Session - Semester 1 AY 2018/2019 and wished them a successful year in their university journey, both in class and in the many services and activities offered by CGS and RUW. Dr. Humam Elagha explained the objectives and the mission of the English for Academic Success Programme (EAS). Along with the registration process for the Diploma of English for Academic Success (Pearson Assured), and the purpose of the Exit Test and who is required to register English for Tertiary Studies (LAR 103).

RUW Beach Clean Up Day



As part of the Community Service course and RUW's commitment to serve the community, Ms. Amy Owen-AIKhaldi, with the assistance of Ms. Fizza and Ms. Houria Zain from student affairs organized an RUW Beach Clean Up in collaboration with Clean Up Bahrain where nearly 500KG of waste was collected. The event took place on Friday, December 7th from 8:30 AM-10:30 AM at Jid AlHaj Beach. Community service students were joined by RUW faculty and administrative staff to take part in this service-based commitment.

History of Bahrain Students Educational Field Trip to Bahrain National Charter Monument

On December 12, Students of History of Bahrain (LAR 121) participated in a project-based field trip to the Bahrain National Charter Monument. Dr. AbdulRaheem Shaheen, Assistant Professor and the course instructor, accompanied the students on the trip. During the visit, students learned facts about the National Charter Monument including its history and significance to Bahrain.