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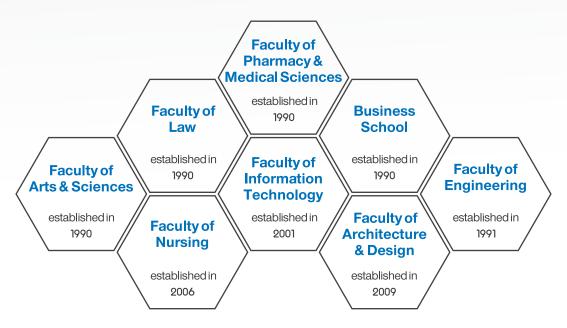
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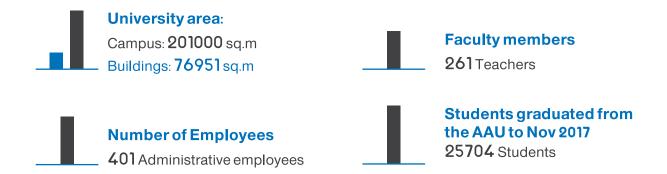
Al-Ahliyya Amman University is the first private university in Jordan and the first Arab private university in the Middle East. Established in 1990 to be a leading institute in private higher education, it is recognized and accredited locally and internationally, it is also a member of Arab, Islamic and international university unions.

#### **AAU** holds eight faculties:



The AAU occupies a head position among institutes of higher education, not only at the local level, but also at the level of the Arab world. The AAU always seeks excellence and improvements in the quality of higher education outcomes, through the adoption of methodologies and strategies that depend on building a quality control and monitoring systems of all faculties, academic departments, academic centers and administrative offices.

Within this framework, and to keep pace with the rapid technological development in the information revolution, The AAU adopts information technology and e-learning and employs this in its educational systems. To this effect, The AAU has established AI-Hourani center for e-learning, the first center in the region.



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This historic achievement of the AAU was a culmination of its deliberate efforts and continuous excellence. Most notably, the ISO 9001: 2015, Quality Management System is the most recent certificate of this international standard. A few months earlier, the AAU had obtained the quality assurance certificate at the University- wide level, issued by the Accreditation and Quality Assurance Commission for Higher Education Institutions.

The AAU, Allah willing, is in the process of obtaining numerous certificates of quality assurance at the program level, along with the international accreditations. In the spirit of commitments made at the highest level of the University's continuing progress towards milestones, the AAU consistently builds on its encouraging and accumulated achievements. The application of these standards and accreditations, whether national or international, would



be an indispensable step to put the University on the pathway towards promoting a culture of excellence among the University's personnel, covering the teaching and administrative staff through the effective engagement in the continuous improvement activities at all levels, as part of the integrated effort towards the holistic approach.

In a similar vein, these standards, assurance quality certificates, apart from the local and international accreditations are seen complementary and not in terms of being subordinate to the other. Moreover, the adoption of these systems and standards is a strategic decision and not a tactical move tailored for marketing purposes. It is an urgent need of the AAU, as the first private University in Jordan and the Arab world, to achieve excellence in education and learning services, as well as the scientific research in line with the high quality international standards. Proudly, AAU takes into account other deep insights, objectives, operations and premier services.

These certificates and accreditations are a clear reflection of the University's capacity to meet the requirements of the students and their parents of all classes of society and nationalities. It is also worthy to note the AAU capacity to vigorously ensure the legal and regulatory requirements of its adopted activities and areas of work. The AAU as a responsible institution of the community meets the requirements of accreditation criteria, in full harmony with the global tendencies.

Where the emphasis of the AAU has largely been on developing the quality management system through applying it at the administrative and academic levels, owing to the efforts of its dedicated and qualified staff, the primary challenge therefore is to maintain the continuing record of success. This can be achieved through the persistence of the University Administration and and its staff to value this award and build on its prominent achievements. In pursuance of this, considerable work remains to be done on developing awareness among the staff on the significance of their essential role on the one hand, and providing the necessary training and skills development on the other, aiming ultimately at ensuring the application and sustainability of these systems and enhancing its effectiveness.

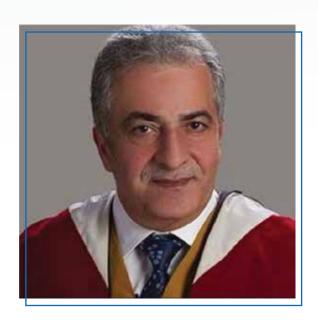
We must always remember that these certificates and accreditations are not seen as an objective in itself, but as a means towards achieving the University's deep vision of being one of the best universities in Jordan and the Arab world, thereby enhancing its leading position as a preferred option of the students and researchers. Our determination to achieve this ambitious goal is the basis for any effort, which makes us always more optimistic in our continuous journey for excellence.

Iyad Abdullah Sha'ban Assistant President for Management and Quality Assurance



### The Council of Higher Education Approves the Appointment of Dr. Sari Hamdan as the President of AAU

The Council of Higher Education presided by the Chairman of the Council, Dr. Adel Al-Tuwaysi, the Minister of Higher Education & Scientific Research in the Caretaker Government, decided in the session held on 10 / 6 / 2018 to accept the resignation of Dr. Sadeq Hamed and to approve the appointment of Dr. Sari Ahmad Hamdan Ghunaimeh as the AAU president beginning from 1 / 7 / 2018 and for four years.



#### Hourani is the President of Arena Club Dr. Maher Ahmad Al-Hourani was recommended to have the presidency of Arena

Club. The recommendation was taken in the meeting of the club's general assembly held in the AAU club at AAU. The meeting was attended by the director of the Capital's Youth Directorate Dr. Hussein Jbour, the Chairman of the Clubs, Ali Obaidat, and Mahmoud Kilan, from the Capital's Youth Directorate.

During the meeting, the general assembly approved the administrative and financial reports for 2016 and 2017, together with the election of the new Board of Directors of the Club by acclamation. It consists of Dr. Awni Shanableh "VP", Zuheir Abbasi "Secretary and Spokesman", Omran Eisha "register", «Sports Committee Chairman Dr. Mohamed Mubaidin», Nader Swedan, the «International relations and Marketing Committee Chairman, Dr. Ghalib Erekat «Cultural Committee Chairman, Dr. Hosny Saud "Social Committee Chairman", Eyad Shaaban "Relations Committee Chairman, and the vigilance of both Dr. Omar Shammout and Fadi Al-Nouri.





Her Royal Highness Princess Muna Al-Hussein, Grants the Dean of Nursing the Shield of Participation in the Health Policies Forum.



His Royal Highness Prince Hamza Bin Al-Hussein Sponsors the Events of the First International Conference Organised by AAU with the Partnership of Mutah University.

Under the patronage of his royal highness Prince Hamza Bin Al-Hussein, Faculty of graduate studies in Mutah University held the first international conference "The National Strategies to combat the international terrorism and extremism (achievements and aspirations)" with the partnership of Al-Ahliyya Amman University and in cooperation with the International Moderation Forum.

The conference aims at mainstreaming terrorism and extremism scientifically by revealing social, political, and intellectual aspects that cause them. Also, it intends to explain the causes and risks of extremism. The conference is expected to broaden the conceptual analysis of terrorism and extremism. It will cover religious, social, and cultural aspects.

Papers presented in the conference handled many aspects such as religious speeches and the legitimate arrangements to encounter extremism and terrorism; managing knowledge of encountering the methods and tools of terrorist armament in light of ambiguity in the legal legislation and deterring the types of extremism and terrorism.



Her Royal Highness Princess Rajwa Bint Ali Inaugurates the 7th Graphic Design Exhibition at AAU





#### AAU Launches the First Season of the "Sapphire" Award

AAU launched in cooperation with the Lebanese "Sure Events House" Company the "Sapphire" Award for the distinguished employee in Jordan. The award includes ten different sectors involving 100 institutions. These awards include the Late Dr. Ahmad Al-Horani's Award (the AAU Founder) for Excellence. These awards aim to motivate employees to be successful models for the advancement of Jordanian economy in all its forms and specialties and to highlight the success of administrations in assuming their responsibilities. In the press conference which was held on Saturday 3 / 2 / 2018 in the Arena Hotel, Dr. Maher Al-Horani, the Chairman of the AAU Board of Directors, said that Jordan is poor in its material resources, yet it is rich in its human resources which are the bases of development in all areas of the State. He also said that the award is aimed at the ideal employee, regardless of his/her position, stretching from clean workers to administrative or specialist employees to pay attention to them and to give them roles in the community as productive employees or workers. In the presence of the AAU President, Prof. Sadeq Hamed, the Vice President and the Deans, Al-Horani made reference to the Asian experiences in Malaysia, Japan and Singapore as models of economic developments and successful managements in directing revenues and human resources for the advancement and progress of their countries. At the Jordanian level, he added that" we wish to get out of the economic crisis and to achieve this development. We have to work seriously, move away from dependence, change polices and manage the state resources and move from the underdeveloped labor mentality to the productive one which is based on training and experience to achieve the ideal employee instead of the regular one." Al-Horani expressed that the AAU is full of material and moral support and allocated money to the award which he presides over its jury and which is subject to certain criteria that achieve the goal of equality to competitors, at the level of the Kingdom. Institutions will select and nominate employees for the award according to specific criteria. In his turn, Prof. Sadeq Hamed, the AAU President talked about the educational and social roles of the University. He also stated that founding the first private university by the Late Dr. Ahmad Al-Horani is a pioneer step in achieving excellence and leadership in higher education. He confirmed that the University represented by its faculties and staffs is interested in achieving excellence because it is a distinguished academic edifice. Roy Jubeily, the President of the Lebanese "Sure Events House" Company, the partner of AAU in organizing the award, talked about the importance of preparing students to obtain jobs in the labor market beginning from the studying stage to graduation from universities. He added that honoring them would contribute in the development of economy since they are the focus of development process. He added that the award will target ten sectors that include 100 establishments while AAU will prepare training workshops in the upcoming April. At that point, a jury committee that represents every sector will supervise the selection of winners according to well established criteria prior to announcing their names in a celebration on the Labor Day occasion on May first.









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### **Top News**

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# Muhammad Sabri and Shaheerah Al-Ruhaimi Rank the First in the Second Prize of the Late Dr. Ahmad Al-Horani for Reciting and Mastering the Holy Quran for Students Enrolled in the Jordanian Universities

The AAU Deanship of Student Affairs organized the prize of the Late Dr. Ahmad Al-Horani for reciting and mastering the Holy Quran for students enrolled in the Jordanian universities. This event took place on Thursday, 8/2/2018. The prize which was held for the second consecutive year included 37 male students and 30 female students from the following 21 public and private universities: Muta University, Princess Sumaya for Technology University, Al-Hashimyah University, Al-Zarga Private University, Alloun National University, Al-Al Bayt University, Yarmouk University, Amman Arab University, the German Jordanian University, Al-Balga Applied University, Petra University, Applied Sciences University, Al-Israa University, Philadelphia University, Al-Hussein Bin Talal University, Tafila Technical University, University of Jordan, Islamic Sciences University and Al-Ahliyya Amman University. The winners among the two categories obtained a cash prize of 1000 JD for the first winner, 750 JD for the second winner and 500 JD for the third winner. The male jury panel included Dr. Abed Al-Hameed Al-Kurdi from AAU as a chairman and Dr. Muhammad Al-Tarairah from the Applied Sciences University as a member, Mr. Ahmad Al-Quqa (the Head of the Department of Readings in the Association of Preserving the Holy Quran). As for the female jury panel, it was headed by Dr. Asma Al-Omari from AAU and it included the following members: Dr. Najwa Qaraqeesh from Al-Zarga Private University and Dr. Zainab Al-Qudah from the University of Jordan. The criteria which the jury referred to for selecting the first three ranks included the following: good performance, mastering reciting and tajweed, the beauty of voice, interaction with the Quranic Ayat and posing and starting. The following names ranked the first: Muhammad Shahid Sabri and Shaheerah Ahmad Al-Ruhaimi from the Islamic Sciences University. The second rank was achieved by Salah Al-Dein Agbed Al-Razag from the University of Jordan and Haneen Naser Al-Taei from the Islamic Sciences University. As for the third rank, it included Abed Al-Aziz Al-Nuaimi from AAU and Sara Marwan Suleiman from the University of Jordan. At the end of the competition, Prof. Sadeq Hamed, the AAU President, Dr. Mustafa Atyiat, the Dean of Student affairs along with Mrs Enas Al-Horani, a member of the University Council of Trustees distributed certificates and prizes to the winning participants and those who participated in the competition. They also handed souvenir shields to the jury panel members.





#### Dr. Omar Latoof Lectures at the AAU

As part of the activities committee in the Faculty of Pharmacy and Medical Sciences in Al-Ahliyya Amman University, the lecture aimed at building students' personalities and qualifying them to enter the job market. The committee hosted a lecture by the international cardiac surgeon, Dr. Omar Latoof within, the career pathing events.

He talked about his professional journey at school, university, and then his graduates' studies. Dr. Latoof showed his achievements in cardiac surgery, open- heart operations, registered patents, and his book about his experience with patients and then he told exciting stories about his patients.

Finally the university president Professor Sadeq Hamed honored Dr. Omar Latoof and granted him the university's memorial shield.



#### AAU Celebrates the Graduation of the Twenty - Fifth Batch

Under the Patronage of His Excellency, Dr. Abed Al-Kareem Al-Kabariti, AAU celebrated the graduation of the twenty-fifth batch for the first academic semester 2017 - 2018 in a ceremonial carnival in the Arena Complex on Saturday evening, 10 / 3 / 2018. This Ceremony was attended by his Excellency, Muhammad Saleh Al-Horani, the Chairman of the AAU Board of Trustees, a number of the Board members, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Dr. Maher Al-Horani, the AAU President, Prof. Sadeq Hamed, members of the academic and administrative staffs along with a large number of the graduates' families and invitees.



# AAU Obtains Accreditation for Its Engineering Specializations from the Arab Union of Engineers

AAU obtained accreditation for its programs in the Bachelor Degrees in all of its offered courses in Engineering from the Arab Union of Engineers/Committee of Teaching Engineering. The accredited courses include the following: Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Electronics & Communications Engineering, Medical Engineering and Computer Engineering in the Faculty of Engineering in addition to Architecture Engineering in the Faculty of Architecture & Design.



After Obtaining the Quality Assurance Certificate from the Accreditation Association 2017, AAU Obtains the Quality Management System Certificate "the Latest New" ISO- 9001:2015

In accordance with the latest new version of the ISO Specifications, AAU obtained the International Certificate of Quality Management System which covers all of its academic and administrative units along with teaching and learning, scientific research as well as community service. It is worth mentioning that the University had previously obtained this certificate in 2015 based on the ISO Specifications (9001:2008). Moreover, AAU obtained the Certificate of Quality Assurance issued by the Jordanian Accreditation Commission of Higher Education Institutions and Quality Assurance in 2017. It is worth mentioning that the University has achieved many advanced ranks in scientific and cultural competitions such as ranking the first among all Jordanian universities in the financial analysts' competition. Its graduates also won many awards one of which was the USA International Award for the Film "Treaty".









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#### AAU Holds A Charitable Bazaar on the Occasion of Mother's Dav

The AAU Deanship of Student Affairs held on the occasion of Mother's Day a charitable Bazaar for productive mothers in the Al-Balga Governorate. This celebration which was held on Tuesday 30 / 3 / 2018 was held in cooperation with the Jordanian National Forum for Women in the Al-Balga Governorate. The Bazaar included: a show for handmade works of the participating ladies such as accessories and food at a symbolic prices. The bazaar was visited by a big number of academic and administrative staffs and students.



#### **AAU Organizes the Activities of "Career Day" for Its Alumni** and Local Community

On Monday, 9 / 4 / 2018, Al-Ahliyya Amman University's president, Professor Sadeg Hamed, the Mayor of Salt Municipality, engineer Khaled Khashman. and the Business Director of Balga Governorate inaugurated the events of "Career Day". Faculties' deans, directors of the administrative departments, and crowds of alumni and local community's students attended this event which was organized by the Career Guidance Bureau in the deanship of students' affairs. More than 50 corporates and institutions of all specializations, which have part/full-time vacancies participated in the event. On the career day, many job opportunities were proposed, directly, by the participating corporates and many interviews were held. Students benefited from having the training corporates by having a look at their programs and the method of registration.



#### AAU Hosts the Championship of the Swimming League

Read the Championship of the Swimming League for schools in the Arena Club swimming pool. This championship which was organized by Al-Jami'a Schools included several categories such as freestyle swimming in both (50 m & 100 m) and the breaststroke (50 m & 100 m). The following 12 private schools participated in this competition: Mayar International Schools, Pioneer Educational Schools, Al-Jami'a Schools, Arabic Islamic Culture Schools, Modern Arab Academy Schools, Al-Hassad Al-Tarbawi Schools, International Pioneers Academy Schools, International Independent Schools, California Schools, International Proficiency Academy Schools, Civilizations School and Al-Reyada International Schools. The results of the competition were as follows: Mayar schools won the first place and gained four gold medals, Al-Jami'a Schools won the second place and gained two silver medals and one bronze medal and Al-Hassad Schools won the third place and got one silver medal and two bronze medals. 🔰





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## **AAU Organizes An Open Sport Day for Its Students and Staffs**

The AAU Deanship of Student Affairs organized an open sport day for its students and the academic & administrative staffs on Thursday, 15 / 3 / 2018. The sport day included several activities; the most notable was the cross-country race for 3 km starting from Aum Nea'j Circle to the University campus. The rest of the activities were distributed throughout the day at the university's stadiums which included (boxing, arrow throwing, football games, basketball games, tug rope, jump rope and hula hoop). It is worth mentioning that this event witnessed a wide participation of students and staff from the university, where the number of participants exceeded 1400.



## **AAU Holds the "First Aids" Course for Women of Al-Balqa Governorate**

Under the patronage of AAU President, Prof. Sadeq Hamed and in coordination with the Supreme Committee for Activities and Community Services, the AAU Faculty of Nursing held the "First Aids" Course for the women of Al-Balqa Governorate. This course took place on Tuesday, 13 / 2 / 2018 in the laboratories of Nursing Faculty. The course which lasted for three hours and was attended by fifty nine women aimed to serve the local community. The course included a practical training for several cases such as: burns, suffocation, falling down, fractures, wounds, bleeding and fainting cases of diabetics and heart patients as well as women emergency cases. During this course, women were trained to enhance their awareness of how to save the life of an infected person who needs immediate intervention when professional medical care is not available or access to the nearest help center takes a lot of time. At the end of the course, certificates of attendance were distributed to the participants.



# **AAU Students of the Faculty of Nursing Organize A"Health Day" at AI-Jamia Schools**

On Sunday, 8 / 4 / 2018, a group of Faculty of Nursing students / Society health held a health campaign in Al-Jamia Al-Oula Schools marking the World Heath Day. The campaign included medical tests for the whole staff in the schools; teachers, administrators, drivers, and laborers. It was an effective contribution, full of participation and enthusiasm.



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#### AAU Launches "We pay for your Journey" Campaign.

Under the patronage of Al-Ahliyya Amman University, President Dr. Sadeq Hamed, the Deanship of Student Affairs/ Career Guidance and Follow- up Alumni Bureau organised "We pay for your journey" campaign "I participate Ana Usharek" Program. This was done on Thursday 19 / 4 / 2018 in the university stadium.

The campaign aims at encouraging students to use electric cars and to increase charging depots in the vital areas and exterior roads. Also, it aims to use the renewed energy "Solar cells" to generate the required energy by the electric cars. Furthermore, it seeks to raise consciousness about the significance of using the electric cars.

The essential goal of the campaign, which was launched by Al-Ahliyya Amman University, is to enact a new law that obliges public and private institutions and public installations to initiate charging points for the electric cars using the renewable energy. This new law should enable us to save over 300 million liters of fuel and to protect us from 700 hundred thousand Tons of released CO2 which reflects positively on Jordan's environment and economy.

It is good to know that a number of leading car companies participated in this campaign such as, Tesla-Nissan-Chevrolet-Ev king, Eco Engineering and Energy Solutions. Meanwhile, Miron Company talked about the significance of the electric cars as an environment friendly.





# **AAU** Organizes A Day for Eye Examination in Al-Balqa Goveronate

In order to achieve the vision of Al-Ahlyyia Amman University in providing services to the local community, the Faculty of Arts and Sciences and the Faculty of Nursing, in cooperation with the Higher Committee for Activities and Community Service, in coordination with the Center of Young Women of Salt "Call her Blessed" performed a medical day activity Thursday 1st of March 2018, in which a medical staff consisting of six doctors from the United States of America. This activity targeted 350 beneficiaries of Salt city. This event was supervised by Dr. Sawsan Badrakhan, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, and Dr. Samira Habashneh from Faculty of Nursing, as well as volunteer students from the university students and social activist Sahar Al-Hout.



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# The Faculty of Engineering Team Wins the Championship of the AAU Faculties League in the Fustal

The Faculty of Engineering team won the league championship of the Fustal after beating the Faculty of Nursing team in the final with four clean sheet goals on Thursday 22 / 3 / 2018. The game was played with high level of professionalism by both teams; however, experience granted the Engineering Team progress and then widened the difference. In this match which was attended by a large crowed of different University faculties, the sport spirit prevailed. At the end of this match, the Dean of the Faculty of Nursing, Dr. Amal Daghestani, honored the Pharmacy and Medical Sciences team which was the third place winner. Meanwhile, the Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. Mustafa Al-Atiyat honored the second and first place winners and the championship top scorers, Ziad Hih of the Faculty of Nursing.



# The AAU Department of Graphic Design Organizes An Exhibition Titled "Light, Color and Freedom"

Under the patronage of the AAU President, Prof. Sadeg Hamed, the Department of Graphic Design organized an exhibition for the works of students from different departments of the Faculty of Architecture & Design on Wednesday, 14 / 3 / 2018 in the 'Saltus' Hall for Arts. The exhibition was attended by Prof. Ehsan Fathi, the Dean of the Faculty, Dr. Omran Hasan, the Head of the Department of Graphic Design, the Heads of the Departments and the academic members as well as the Faculty's students. This exhibition contained 120 artistic works, including 57 in photography and digital photography materials and 63 in free hand drawing, photography, graphic design techniques and Arabic calligraphy as well as ornament. The exhibition was characterized by introducing students to the latest artistic experiences and training on advanced techniques, especially in the field of photography & digital photography, free drawing, photography and Arabic calligraphy. In this exhibition, light played a key element in those works and color was as a common factor. The exhibition provided students with the freedom to express various topics included the silent nature, landscapes, human face, components of Arabic calligraphy and ornament as well as the techniques of digital photography & photography used in nature, human face, products, dishes, people in works (humanist photography), night and architecture photography along with topics in the field of photography.





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#### **AAU Hosts the Bahraini Cultural Consultant**

The AAU President, Prof. Sadeq Hamed, hosted in his office the Bahraini Cultural Consultant, Nada Al-Harban, on Monday, 19 / 3 / 2018. This meeting aimed to discuss ways of future cooperation and to strengthen bilateral relations between the University and the Kingdom of Bahrain. Al-Harban expressed her pleasure by this visit to the University and spoke highly of the qualitative specializations which AAU provides and the high level which these specializations exert.



#### **AAU Hosts A Student Delegation from Al-Ghofran School**

AAU Department of Public & International Relations hosted a student delegation from Al-Ghofran School on Tuesday, 6 / 3 / 2018. The students visited AAU facilities such as Al-Horani E-Learning Center and the Virtual Pharmacy in the Faculty of Pharmacy & Medical Sciences. Moreover, students attended a lecture in the Faculty of Architecture & Design and visited the laboratories of the faculty. Then, they passed through the Arena Complex and were an entertained by playing bowling.



### **AAU Participates in the 6th International Human Science Conference.**

Al-Ahliyya Amman University participated in inaugurating the Sixth International Human Science Conference titled "Economic and Social Consequences of Terrorism in the Regional Developments and International Changes". The conference was held on Monday 16 / 4 / 2018 in the Amman Royal Hotel.

The conference was organised by the Arab Thought Forum with the partnership of the Social Consultancy and Studies Research Center-London. It was held under the patronage of his royal highness Prince Hasan Bin Talal. More than 500 media, academic, diplomatic, economic, and political Arabs attended the forum in addition to 80 scholars from all over Arab countries.

His royal highness indicated that Arabs and Muslims need to build the ladder of compassion and friendliness, and to enhance educational programs.

His Highness called for the establishment of a global institution of Zakaa to achieve social solidarity, promote economic and social development, and address the phenomena of poverty.

The conference aimed at discussing the local economic politics and its role in expanding the gap between the rich and the poor ;fear and worry of immigrants due to terrorism and how to limit them; the social and economic consequences of minorities during the war on the terrorism; the illegal exploitation of war based on the claim of annihilating the terrorism; misusing of social media to promote terrorism and the international economic system and its role of creating hostility among people all over the world).



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# AAU Participates in the First Jordanian Exhibition for University Education in Kuwait

AAU participated in the first Jordanian exhibition for University education that took place in the State of Kuwait during the period from April 1 to April 4, 2018. The exhibition which was attended by more than 11 Public and Private Jordanian Universities along with the participation of the Jordanian Ministry of Higher Education and the Ministry of Education. The exhibition aimed to acquaint High School students with specializations offered at the University which are needed by the local and regional markets and to explain the mechanism of student admissions. It is worth mentioning that the University has recently obtained accreditation in the Engineering specializations from the Arab Union of Engineers.



# **AAU Participates in the Exhibition of the Mashrek**International School

AAU participated on Thursday 1 / 2 / 2018 in the Exhibition of Universities which was held at the Mashreq International School in the Dabooq area. Mr. Khaled Al-Zu'bee, the Head of Public Relations, acquainted students with the BA specializations and the credit hours system. He also answered students' questions regarding specializations, needs of the labor market, University facilities, supportive services that develop students' skills and competencies and activities that the University organizes.



## Professors from AAU Participate in the "Fourth Scientific Forum on Autism"

Dr. Qahtan Al-Thaher and Dr. Anan Abu Mariam from the Department of Psychology and Special Education at Al-Ahliyya Amman University participated in the fourth scientific forum on Autism, organized by the Center for Learning for All for the Education of Persons with Disabilities at the Grand East Hotel in the Dead Sea on Friday and Saturday 6 - 7 / 4 / 2018. Dr. Qahtan presented a paper entitled "The Continuing Disability and Social Interaction of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders" while Dr. Annan Abu Mariam presented a paper entitled "Therapeutic Practices Based on Technology and Based on Applied Behavior Analysis in Autistic Spectrum Disorders." Dr. Fida Abu Al-Khair the head of the Department of Psychology and Special Education attended the conference as a guest of honor with a strong participation from special education students form Al-Ahliyya Amman University, with the participation from several governmental and private universities and related parties in the filed.

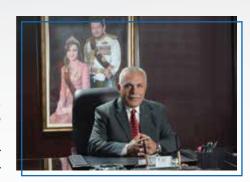




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# **AAU President Participates in Arab Universities Union's General Assembly Meeting**

The president of Al-Ahliyya Amman University, Professor Sadeq Hamed, attended the meeting of the Arab Universities Union's General Assembly, held between 4-5/4/2018 in the Islamic University- Beirut. On the margins of the visit, Dr. Hamed met a number of Arab universities presidents. He investigated the prospects of the bilateral cooperation between Al-Ahliyya Amman University and their universities. Thus, it has been agreed upon exchanging visits in order to framing the cooperation with these universities.



# AAU Participates in the Vocational Day Held at the Schools of the Islamic Scientific College

AAU participated in the Fourth University Forum which was held at the Schools of the Islamic Scientific College in Jubaiha, on Sunday 25 / 3 / 2018. This forum included many public and private Jordanian universities. AAU's purpose in this participation is to acquaint the senior students in these schools with areas of specializations offered at the University and the requirements of the labor market in the upcoming year for each specialization. This forum included many activities such as a music played by the Gendarme, a charitable bazaar and a thank you certificate to AAU for attending this event.



## One Hundred Female Students from Schools in Amman Visit AAU.

As a first initiative, Al-Ahliyya Amman University hosted students of the Renas Cultural Center, with the purpose of helping and supporting them. This visit which included one hundred female students from various schools in Tabarbour/ Amman, started by stopping at the Horani E-learning Center which presented a brief discussion about the university, its specializations, facilities, and the minimum averages of admission and registration.

The students toured the university campus, and saw most of the facilities and faculties. They inquired about the required specializations as demanded by the local job market. They also dropped by the Admissions and Registration and enquired about the procedures for registering new students

Furthermore, the students visited the Arena Cultural Theatre where memorial shields were given to them. Some students participated in the Zumba class, billiard, and bowling. Finally, they had their lunch in the Arena restaurant and the holders of this visit were honored.



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### AAU's Foreign Students Participate in the First Arab Forum of Jordanian Universities

A delegate of 15 students from Al-Ahliyya Amman University participated in the first forum of Arab students in Jordanian universities. This event took place on Thursday 19 / 4 / 2018 in the Holiday Inn Hotel.

The Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, Dr. Adel Twaisi patronized the forum in deputy of the Prime Minister, Hani Mulqi. The forum was attended by the Deputy Prime Minister for the ministry's affairs, Jamal Sarairah.

Twaisi said that the conference coincides with the plan of attracting new Arab students to study in Jordan. Arab students were almost 40 thousands in 2016. The plan aims at raising the number to 70 thousands by the end of 2020.

The program included a lecture by Mohammad Dawudiyeh, CEO of Al-Dustour Newspaper, and Dr. Mohammad Masalha, the chairman of the Jordanian Political Science Association. The lecture dealt with the political role of Jordan and its attitude towards the Arab causes.

A short film about education in Jordan titled "Study in Jordan" was displayed. Then, the former prime minister, Dr. Adnan Badran led the "Horizons and Challenges" symposium that focused on higher education in Jordan and Arab countries .Then Dr. Abu-Jamha discussed the Arab youth role in encountering extremism. Additionally, a film was shown about tourism in Jordan. Finally, there was a training session about the culture of dialogue presented by Dr. Khaleda Masarweh and Dr. Maha Darwish.



#### A Qatari Delegation Visits AAU

AAU President Prof. Sadeq Hamid received in his office this morning Tuesday 27 / 3 / 2018 a Qatari delegation from the Division of Academic Expeditions of the General Command of Qatar Armed Forces which was escorted by the Qatari Military Attach» in Amman. The delegation listened to a detailed explanation regarding the establishment of the University and the academic programs offered at the Bachelor's and Master's Degrees. The delegation was also briefed on the future plans regarding opening new programs that go in line with the regional, Arab and local labor markets. The two parties also discussed ways of enhancing relations between AAU and its Qatari counterparts as an embodiment of the distinguished relations between Jordan and the State of Qatar. The delegation visited the University academic and service facilities and praised the high level that the University has achieved.



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# **AAU and Sofia University Signed Academic Cooperation Agreement**

On Wednesday, 11 / 4 / 2018, Al-Ahliyya Amman University and Sofia University- Bulgaria signed an agreement of academic cooperation in order to exchange academic experience and visits and provide university scholarships to their students. Also, a department of Bulgarian language was launched for holding courses at Al-Ahliyaa Amman University as well as Arabic department in Sofia University.



The agreement was signed by Dr. Sadeq Hamed, the president of AAU, representing AAU and Dr. Theodore Sdlarski, representing Sofia University. Signing the agreement was attended by Al-Ahliyya Amman University CEO Dr. Maher Al-Horani, the Chairman of Education Committee in the Parliament; Dr. Musleh Tarawneh, the Chairman of the Bulgarian- Jordanian Friendship Association; the Deputy, Mehjem Sqour; the Jordanian Ambassador in Bulgaria, Dr. Hasan Barmawi; the Dean of the School of Business in Al-Ahliyya Amman University-Dr. Michel Swaidan; the Dean of Graduate Studies and Scientific Research Faculty-Dr. Muath Horani; the Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy and Medical Sciences Dr. Ghaleb Orikat; the Director of Admission and Registration Department; Dr. Alaa Horani and a number of AAU Professors.

In his turn, the CEO in Al-Ahliyya Amman University, welcomed Sofia University delegate, assuring his happiness of this agreement which will widen the horizon of co-ed between the two universities and make benefit from each other experience. Thus, Dr. Maher Horani valued the role of the Jordanian ambassador in Bulgaria, Dr. Hasan Barmawi, to have this agreement. Also, he thanked Dr. Musleh Tarawneh, the Deputy, for coping, attending, and supporting the initiatives to develop Jordanian universities levels through holding agreements with leading universities such as Sofia University; which was established 130 years ago and earned an international prestigious reputation of education, academic, and scientific research levels. Horani thanked the Deputy Mehjem for his efforts and support to develop the Jordanian-Bulgarian relations in various aspects, particularly, the Edu- academic.

Al-Ahliyya Amman University President Professor Sadeq Hamed, emphasized the importance of this agreement which broadens the horizons of the AAU's students. So, they make benefit of the prestigious academic level of Sofia University, particularly, the academic research. He assured that the priority of AAU is to expand its international relations, particularly the leading universities in particular.

He added that what we witness today is a translation of these expectations, and that this agreement will grant the AAU students the opportunity to have a look at an internationally leading university, such as Sofia University. He said that the agreement allows visits and academic exchange among the academic staff in both universities and deepening the cooperation in training and academic research and qualification.

On his side, the representative of Sofia University, Theodore Sdlarski, expressed his happiness of being Jordan's and AAU's guest. He pointed to his good impressions which made him love Jordan more, assuring to be a good ambassador of Jordan and to tell his friends about Jordan.

Also, he said that this agreement is going to be an entrance for more academic cooperation and experience exchange between both universities. He also emphasizes his ambition to launch a business administration training center in cooperating with Al-Ahliyya Amman University in order to benefit from Sofia University's good reputation which ranked number one among universities in Bulgaria.

The Jordanian ambassador, Hassan Barmawi, expressed his pleasure for accomplishing this agreement which is a theme of cooperation between the two friendly countries. He said that this agreement is a good start for more cooperation of all majors between Jordan and Bulgaria, and showed readiness to provide these relations with all facilities to succeed and improve.

The Deputy Dr. Musleh Trawneh stated and assured to the press before signing the agreement that the Parliament's and the education committee's priority is the university education development. He indicated that the university laws are waiting for the royal decree. He said that the law provides various characteristics; it demolished all differences between public and private universities. Education quality became the criterion for evaluating public and private universities in Jordan. Likewise, he indicated that the law grants universities independency to create a competitive atmosphere in order to provide the best academic level which qualifies the Jordanian universities to rank on a leading position in the classification of the international universities. Thus, it enhances the Jordanian universities' reputation worldwide.

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#### Signing An Agreement between AAU and Keystone

AAU has signed a joint cooperation agreement with the Norwegian Keystone for Academic Solution Company. The agreement stipulates that the company shall perform E-Marketing through its website to present information about the content of the University history, faculties, academic programs for the BA and MA Degrees and the offered courses in addition to presenting a number of photos about the University life in more than forty languages. The Company website is considered one of the most watched and disseminated websites at the local and international levels when searching for specializations on the worldwide web.



# A Memorandum of Understanding between Al-Ahliyya Amman University and the Turkish Ahi Evran University

AAU President, Prof. Sadeq Hamed hosted Prof. Watan Karakaia, the President of the Turkish Ahi Evran University in his office on Sunday, 4 / 2 / 2018. During this meeting, they signed the memorandum of understanding between the two universities which aims at enhancing academic exchange between faculties and participating in conducting scientific research through E. learning and student exchange. It is worth mentioning that the Ahi Evran University is a public one located in the Turkish City of Kirsehir. The University was established in the year 2006 and it includes seven faculties, three institutes, four higher education institutes, seven institutes for vocational training and eleven centers for research and applications.



# A Memorandum of Understanding between Al-Ahliyya Amman University and the Canadian University "British Columbia"

AAU signed a memorandum of understanding with the Canadian University "British Columbia" aiming to strengthen academic cooperation between the two parties and to promote the desire to exchange experiences, scientific research and academic visits in addition to the student exchange. It is worth mentioning that Columbia University ranks the fourth according to the Canadian Classification. Moreover, it is considered one of the top forty universities in the world and one of the top twenty public universities in the world as well.





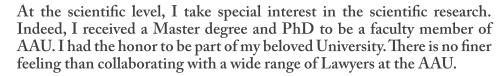
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I was fortunate enough to be a graduate of the first batch obtaining the Bachelor's degree of Al-Ahliyya Amman University, the first private University in Jordan and the Middle East. I enrolled in the AAU in 1990 and graduated from the same University in 1994. After the completion of the training for legal profession in 1996, I officially started my career as a Lawyer.

From that date to the present, I practiced law as a Counsel and Advocate of dozens of individuals and companies at the national, Arab and global levels. Thus, the AAU was the key reason for achieving excellence and the peak of my career, owing largely to the efforts of its best scientific researchers and professors in the Arab world.



Moreover, I had the privilege to chair the Law Department of the Faculty of Law. It was even more of an honor to become the Dean of the above-mentioned Faculty of AAU, the first private University in Jordan, for the academic year 2017/2018.

Lastly, I would like to extend special thanks, gratitude and appreciation to the AAU, which is privileged of its ideal academic environment for the students, with respect to empowering them in line with its guidelines and constant supervision.

The Dean of the Faculty of Law Dr. Yusuf Mofleh



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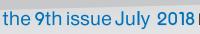
# After Obtaining the Quality Assurance Certificate from the Accreditation Association 2017, AAU Obtains the Quality Management System Certificate "the Latest New" ISO- 9001:2015

\*\*Reaching and Learning\*\* Center in Jordan.

Under the patronage of Professor Bashir Al Zu'bi, Chairman of the Higher Education Accreditation and Quality Assurance Commission in Jordan, AAU held a workshop on teaching and learning. The event was attended by the AAU President, Dr. Sadek Hamed, his deputy and his assistants. This event which was held on 12 / 5 / 2018 hosted Dr. William Rando, the International Lecturer and CEO of Teaching and Learning Center in Chicago University- USA.

At the begining, Professor Elayyan Qreinawi introduced the symposium. Then, Professor Basheer Zoubi delivered a speech in which he commended AAU for taking this significant step of launching the "Teaching and Learning" Center in cooperation with the Chicago University. He indicated that the Higher Education institutions commission is working to develop a national qualifications framework. Also, he emphasized the importance of complementarity of knowledge, experience and efficiency. Zoubi indicated that there are two million school students and 315 thousand university and training institutions students in Jordan. Such students need improvement in teaching and learning and he thanked the University for taking this initiative. Next, Dr. Husam Kokash presented the plan of Teaching and Learning Center, its goals, mechanisms, professional plan and its expected impact on the quality and education. He assured that "Teaching and Learning" Center which will be launched in Al-Ahliyya Amman University will be the first of its kind in Jordan. Then, Professor Elyaan Qraini presented gave a briefing about the C.V of Professor William Rando and his rich academic experience in various US universities. Professor William Rando talked about "Teaching and Learning" Center which aims to improve the methods of teaching and to cope with modernity. He added that there must be modern interactive methods between the teachers and students, he talked about the positive impacts of having such a center in Jordan and provided practical examples through his interaction with the audience. The workshop was attended by academic and administrative staffs, in addition to some private and international school principals. It is worthy to note that announcing the launching of the "Teaching and Learning" Center in Al-Ahliyya Amman University stems from cooperation and coordination between Chicago University and Al-Ahliyya Amman University. Such relations will include further cooperation in other academic and scientific research aspects. The Center will be monitored and directed by Chicago University via Dr. William.













#### AAU Organizes AI - Ola Olympiad for Scientific and Literary Excellence

At AAU Dr. Amal Al-Farhan, Member of the Senate, patronized on Saturday, April nineteen the ceremony of honoring the winning schools in Al-Ola Competition for Scientific and Literary Excellence "The Arabic language Olympiad" in its first season. This event which lasted for two days was attended by the AAU President, Prof. Sadeq Hamed, Mrs Enas Al-Horani, the AAU Director of Public and International Relations and Nadia Al-Horani, the Supervisor of Al-Jamia Schools.

This competition which was organized by AAU in cooperation with Al-Jamia Al-Ola Secondary Schools focused on a number of the Arabic language and literature axes. The fifteen schools which participated in this event included the following: Al-Jamia Al-Ola Secondary School for Girls, School of Rittal International Academy, Al-Orouba Secondary Schools for Girls, Rawabi Jerusalem Academy, Al-Adab Al-Arabi Schools, Al-Omam Schools, Al-Jamia Al-Ola Secondary School for Boys, Al-Hassad Al-Tarbawi Schools, Kafaa international Schools, Qurtoba International School, Wahat Al-Maali Schools, Sonaa' Al-Tatawor Academy, Dahiyat Al-Rasheed Comprehensive School, Al-Jamia Second Secondary School and Al-Rwad schools-International Division.

In the evaluative test award, the first prize was awarded equally between Al-Orouba Schools and Al-Jamia Second Secondary school for Girls in the Arabic morphology and literature competition; the second place was awarded to Al-Hassad Schools in Syntax and the third place was achieved by Al-Orouba Schools in spelling and lexicography.

The best award for the innovative work, was won by Al-Ruwad Schools; the award for the best theater work was achieved equally by Al-Orouba and Al-Hassad Schools. Concerning the financial award, the first one which amounts to 2000 JD was obtained by Al-hassad Al-Tarbawi schools; the second financial award which amounts to 1500 JD was awarded to Al-Orouba Schools while the third one which amounts to 1000 JD was achieved by Al-Jamia Second School.









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#### **Exciting Festive Carnival and Events on the AAU's Open Day**

On Thursday, 26 / 4 / 2018, Al-Ahliyya Amman University had an exciting celebration and activities on the open day. It was attended by a crowd of the university students and members of the local community.

The mayor of Salt Municipality, engineer Khalid Khashman, sponsored the opening ceremony at the university campus. It was attended by the university president, Dr. Sadek Hamed, the VP Dr. Sulaiman Allouzi, and a group of the administrative and academic staff. The ceremony started by lighting a torch in front of the university main gate.

The students of the university participated in activities of various exhibitions, and charity bazaars. Great Amman Municipality, Jordanian folklore House, and the gendarmerie music and martial arts had various shows in the festival. Furthermore, the university students performed interactive activities and sports shows such as; bowling, billiards, and electronic games in the Arena Complex.

The open day included a distinct participation of the motorcycle teams: "Amman riders" and "off-roaders", black hawk team for challenge, and the Harket Kart team. Also, Wild Jordan exhibition had a remarkable role as well as the plastic art gallery of the blind students.

Finally, Dr. Hamed thanked all the participants in the open day for their distinct role and praised the university students for their remarkable participation and interaction.









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#### **AAU Organizes Academic Faculties Week**

Faculty of Arts & Sciences + Faculty of Law





Business School + Faculty of Information Technology





Faculty of Pharmacy & Medical Sciences + Faculty of Nursing





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