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Yarmouk University Welcomes its New President and Congratulates him for the Royal Decree



The Royal decree regarding the appointment of Prof. Nabil Hailat as a president of Yarmouk University for four consecutive years was issued on Tuesday the 6th of Oct, 2020 . The Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, Prof. Muhi Al-Din Touq, handed over a copy of the royal decree to Prof. Hailat in the ministry building. Thus, the employees of Yarmouk University extend sincere congratulations and greetings to Prof. Hailat wishing him success in his new position and looking forward to working with him in achieving the university's noble vision and goals.

Launching the Second Edition of the Crown Prince Award for the Best Government Service Application

The Crown Prince Foundation launched the second edition of the Crown Prince Award for Best Government Service Application, which is part of the strategic partnership and cooperation between Jordan and the United Arab Emirates. Considering that the first edition of the award covers the fields of education, health, transport, business environment and tourism, five new sectors were added to the second edition of the award, namely agriculture and food security, youth, social affairs, refugees, and security and crisis management.

Thus, the Minister of State for Institutional Performance Development, Yassera Ghosheh, called on the university students to express their abilities and start preparing their applications to participate in the award, which should start receiving applications next November and for a period of two months.

Noteworthy here is that the award, which targets more than 300,000 students from the Jordanian public and



private universities, aims at encouraging students to create innovative solutions in the field of smartphone applications to develop easy and simplified government services. Also, it is noteworthy that the award is worth 100,000 dinars divided into 50,000 JD for the first place, 30,000 JD for the second place, and 20,000 JD for the third place.

A Remote Workshop to YU Library Staff

Invited by Al-Ifla Regional Center of Qatar National Library, a number of employees of Al Hussein Bin Talal Library at Yarmouk University participated in the workshops organized by the Center remotely on how to preserve the visual-audio and audio heritage collections.

Prof. Omar al-Ghoul, the library's director, explained that the first workshop was entitled "Preserving the heritage of our audio recordings: a brief history of audio recordings" while the second workshop was entitled "Introduction to the maintenance of audio materials".

Interestingly, the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) has chosen Qatar National Library as the regional center for the



maintenance and preservation of library materials in the Arab region and the Middle East.

Yarmouk Engineering Participates in a Workshop on Design Thinking



Several students from Al-Hajjawi faculty for Technological Engineering at Yarmouk University participated in the workshop of

design thinking, which is funded by the German Foundation "DAD" and presented by Anna Apeeline of the German Protostart corp. through the

visual communication technology. The dean of the faculty, Dr. Muwaffaq Oloom, said that this four-day workshop aims at enhancing students' skills in finding practical and creative solutions to existing and future problems regarding the methodologies of thinking outside the box. He then declared that an intensive workshop on converting scientific research into products or startups will be organized for the faculty staff members in the coming month.

A Workshop on the Speech of Hatred on Social Media

The manager of Yarmouk FM Radio, Dr. Zuhair Al-Tahat, and Dr. Marcelle Jweinat from the Journalism Department of Yarmouk University participated in a training workshop organized by the Arab World Center for Democratic Development and Human Rights in cooperation with the German Hans Seidel Foundation on "Hatred Speech on Social Media".

Altahat attributed the increase of violence among people to the speech of hatred expressed on the internet, thus stressing the importance of facing such a trend by reconsidering issues of freedom of expression and censorship of technology platforms. He explained that the many changes in the international political climate contributed to raising the level of hatred around the world; therefore, social media should be deployed to resolve and pacify the dispute, not amplify it.



In her turn, Al-Jweinat wondered about the role played by the companies that run such platforms, calling on them to monitor their content and prevent them from violating the ethics of media and freedom, especially regarding the provocative takfiri speech.

Honoring Model School Students of 100% in High Secondary Examinations



The Acting University President, Prof. Muwaffaq al-Omoush, confirmed that the results gained by model school students in the secondary school examination represent a source of pride for Yarmouk University. He explained that such an achievement

is invaluable, as it testifies to the tremendous effort sought by students, their parents, and their teachers.

The school principal, Mr. Osama al-Azzam, said that honoring students reflects the attention paid by the university towards the school and its constant keenness to provide all the requirements of success to its students and staff.

In their turn, the students expressed their pride and appreciation of such a ceremony.

The Admission Procedures for New Students will be Completely Electronic

The Acting president of YU, Prof. Muwaffaq al-Omoush confirmed that due to the exceptional circumstances experienced by the Kingdom regarding the Corona pandemic, the Computer and Information Center of the university has completed the automation of all the admission procedures for new students for the academic year 2020 -2021. He explained that the new electronic procedures include the admission process, the entry of information of the new student, paying the university fees, registering for courses, getting the username and password required for distance learning, etc. The goal of such automation, as al-Omoush stated, is to maintain the safety of students and their parents and to prevent unnecessary crowding.



A Preparatory Workshop for New Faculty Members

The Acting President of Yarmouk University, Prof. Muwaffaq al-Omoush, patronized the opening of the preparatory workshop for new faculty members for the first semester 2020/ 2021, organized by the University's Accreditation and Quality Assurance Center. At the beginning of the meeting, al-Omoush welcomed the new faculty members participating in the workshop and congratulated them for joining Yarmouk University, calling on them to maintain the outstanding level of the university and carry out the tasks entrusted to them professionally and responsibly. He then stressed the need for the faculty members to be familiar with the regulations and laws of the university and to be fully aware of the duties assigned to them on the one hand, and their rights and benefits on the other.

In his turn, the Vice President of the Administrative Affairs, Prof. Riyadh Moumani, said that the ethics of the faculty member must be considered in all aspects and at all levels whether with students, society, or scientific



research. Likewise, the Director of the Center, Dr. Abdullah Khataybeh, called on participants to make the utmost efforts regarding scientific publications and to try their best to get their scientific research published in international scientific journals, as this should raise the university's ranking in the international classifications and contribute to the university's accreditation and quality assurance.

A Diploma Program in the Art of Teaching and Learning

Yarmouk University announces the opening of admission to the Diploma of Education in the Art of Teaching and Learning beginning the first semester 2020 / 2021. The Dean of the Faculty of Education, Dr. Nawwaf Shatnawi, pointed out that the program is offered by the department of curriculum and teaching methods of the faculty in response to the need of the educational field regarding rehabilitating teachers in the field of modern teaching methods.



A Diploma Program in the Art of Teaching and Learning - Cont.

He explained that the program includes 33 credit hours and that the study plan of the program includes courses in modern teaching strategies, teaching techniques, and methods of educational evaluation. The program, he mentioned, aims at providing learners with the skills and teaching methods they need and students can finish the course within a period of one academic year (two semesters and one summer semester).

Yarmouk University is to Receive More Kuwaiti Students



Calling them ambassadors of Jordan and Yarmouk University, the Acting President of Yarmouk University, Prof. Muwaffaq al-Omoush, expressed the pride of Yarmouk in all its students from Arab and foreign nationalities who study in the various faculties and academic programs of the university.

During receiving Dr. Badr Ali al-Mutairi, the head of the board of the Arab counselors and attaché, and his delegation in Amman, al-Omoush stated that Kuwaiti students studying at Yarmouk University represent a substantial part of Yarmouk community considering their academic level and active participation in the

various activities and events organized by the Deanship of Student Affairs and other faculties. Al-Omoush then expressed Yarmouk University's willingness to receive more Kuwaiti students who wish to join the university's undergraduate as well as graduate programs.

In his turn, al-Mutairi expressed the Kuwaiti Cultural Mission's confidence in Yarmouk University and its academic reputation, pointing out that the presence of many Kuwaiti students in Yarmouk's various faculties embodies the Mission's belief in Yarmouk's prestigious status. He then acknowledged the attention paid by Yarmouk University to Kuwaiti students and other international students

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from various Arab and foreign nationalities regarding their on-campus and online education during the Corona pandemic.

Noteworthy here is that the meeting was attended by the Dean

of the Faculty of Law, Dr. Yousef Obeidat, the Dean of Scientific Research and Graduate Studies, Dr. Ayman Hamouda, the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Dr. Khaldoun Al-Bashayrh, the Dean of Students Affairs, Dr.

Mohammed Al-Mazawdeh, the Director of the Department of Admission and Registration, Mr. Khalid Al Harhasha, and the Director of the Financial Department, Mr. Omar Mahaftha.

A Workshop about "Zoom" for Yarmouk University Staff Members

In collaboration with the University's Faculty of Information Technology and Computer Science, Queen Rania Center for Jordanian Studies and Community Service at Yarmouk University organized a workshop for several university staff members entitled "Zoom".

The workshop included a lecture delivered by Dr. Ahmed Klaib from the Faculty of Information Technology on how to use Zoom effectively and efficiently in virtual classrooms.

Dr. Yazan al-Shbool, the Director of Queen Rania Center for Jordanian Studies and Community Service, explained that this workshop is one of a series of workshops on Zoom that are held by the center for several staff members of the university departments. He explained also that such a series of workshops is intended to enable and develop the university staff members regarding using Zoom under certain circumstances.



Yarmouk's Participation in the Mediterranean Universities Meeting (UNIMED WEEK 2020)



The Center for Refugees, Displaced Persons and Forced Migration Studies Center at Yarmouk University participated through Zoom in the Meeting of the Mediterranean Universities meeting, which is part of the activities of the (UNIMED WEEK 2020), which highlights the international, regional and local tensions and crises in the Middle East and North Africa.

The meeting aims at alerting the institutions of the higher education system such as Yarmouk University to continuously adapt the educational process and form strategies consistent with the current developments and changes.

The Center participated in a dialogue session entitled "The Changing Nature of the Crisis in the Middle East and North Africa:

The Role of the Academic Research and Cooperation in the Post-Corona Scenario", which emphasizes the role of universities through the social, political and institutional work in favor of refugees and displaced persons in the Middle East and North Africa.

The dialogue is intended to enhance mobility and work opportunities that support refugees, including students and researchers, improve opportunities for university outreach with companies and civil society institutions, and rethink the new policy tools at the European Union level.

The center's director, Dr. Anas Al-Subh, pointed out the increasing social responsibility of the university system for meeting new challenges in Jordan based on the experience of past years and the Corona pandemic crisis. He also presented the most important challenges facing Jordan represented by the lack of funding for dealing with the refugees' crisis.