

UAEU ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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The United Arab Emirates University graduates significant number of students in the UAE since its inception in the year 1976, as the first comprehensive national University. More than 71,000 male and female students have been graduated from the University, and they occupy prestigious positions in the academic field, business administration, industry, ministries, and government agencies. The University works to strengthen its relations with its alumni worldwide through various means and programs. One of these programs is Khibra (Alumni Professionals).

UAEU ALUMNI PROFESSIONALS PROGRAM (KHIBRA)

Khibra is an initiative of the Development and Alumni Relations Unit at the United Arab Emirates University to serve students, the University, and the community.

The role of the main participants in the Khibra program

STUDENTS

- Academic and professional growth
- Guidance and advice
- Practical Training

UNIVERSITY

- Update on Labor market, industry, and technology
- Access to practical and professional experiences
- Community communication and exchange of knowledge and experiences

COMMUNITY

- Participate in development and growth
- Development of skills with high expertise and competencies

CONDITIONS - KHIBRA MEMBERSHIP:

- Should be a graduate of the United Arab Emirates University and have a job experience of no less than three years.
- To volunteer part of his time to design a program in his field of work or experience to be presented to students.
- To share with students and academic staff updates in their work and experience to enrich and update educational programs.
- To represent the University in its field of expertise in the community.
- Can join the program as a volunteer through the Khibra website.

VISION

- To inspire and support university educational programs for students and broaden their skills horizons and employment opportunities.

MISSION

- Enable Alumni to share their expertise with students, faculty and the community.

OBJECTIVES

- Building a university alumni experts database and hosting them to volunteer in conducting and delivering their programs.
- The faculty to participate in choosing the appropriate programs to be offered to students from Khibra training programs.
- Update and inform the university faculty and students on recent developments in the labor market, industry, and technology.
- Support and enable the dynamics of synergies between the University and society through lectures, seminars, and workshops organized by the members of the Khibra Program.

KHIBRA PROGRAMS

- Conducting vocational training, seminars, and workshops for students.
- Exchanging knowledge and experiences with members of the academic staff at the University.
- Strengthening and supporting the University's role in society.
- Mentoring and advising students for their careers.



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SUCCESS STORY



Anwaar Al Shimmari

Chief Innovation Officer and Director of Land Transportation, UAE's Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure

Anwaar Al Shimmari is Chief Innovation Officer and Director of Land Transportation at the UAE's Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure where she also leads the artificial intelligence (AI) team and the authority's Scientific Research Committee. She is a member of the UAE 50 years Preparedness Task Force. She is also a member of the Executive Committee of the Khibra Program at the United Arab Emirates University.

Eng. Al Shimmari has 19 years of multi-discipline experience in architecture, urban planning, engineering, and infrastructure sectors. She is an official judge, keynote speaker and trainer in the fields of engineering, Innovation, AI, and Leadership. She has judged over 4000 individuals, entities, and projects including Sharjah Innovation Award 2020.

She holds a BSc in Architectural Engineering (Magna Cum Laude) from UAE University, two master's degrees in urban planning and transport planning from AUS, and is a PhD candidate in Governance of Urban Planning Public Policies. Al Shimmari also holds a diploma in Public Innovation from the University of Cambridge, and another in Executive Leadership from Oxford University.

A board member at Sheikh Zayed Housing Program and vice president of ASTM Chapter in UAE, Al Shimmari is a member of numerous entities, such as IAARC, IQLI, GINI Council, Innovation 360, and AIPMM. She represents UAE on the International Government Upgrade Projects. She has several awards regionally and internationally.

DO YOU HAVE A SUCCESS STORY?

Share your story with us and get featured in future issues.

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Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan and Mr. Hareb bin Sultan present a model of the building of the Islamic Institute prepared by the Ministry of Works
- April 22, 1972.



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Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan and Sheikh Rashid bin Saeed Al Maktoum inaugurate the United Arab Emirates University
- November 10, 1977



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Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, inspecting a department of the United Arab Emirates University, during the opening ceremony
- November 10, 1977



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A press conference at the United Arab Emirates University in Al Ain
- 15 October 1978