Dr. Ali Rashid Al Nuaimi, Vice Chancellor of the United Arab Emirates University, stressed that the University is always keen to support scientific research, creativity, and innovation as per the major strategic research requirements of the UAE, in order to enhance its prestigious scientific and research position among the world’s universities, and in line with the University’s vision of leadership and excellence. Therefore, the University has allocated a total budget of 44 million Dirhams to finance 94 new research projects at the University in 2016.

Al-Nuaimi explained that the University is working to promote the culture of scientific research and excellence, and encourage the researchers from the faculty members of the University to conduct more research, in order to contribute to finding innovative research and scientific solutions to address the strategic challenges of the State in important sectors, such as health, water, energy, transport, biotechnology, information technology, and other strategic priorities of the UAE.
The Media and Communications Department has covered international events such as Earth Day and World Water Day during March. We are also eager to support faculty and students initiatives and raise community awareness about both local and global issues. We have received positive feedback from all parts of UAEU in our attempts to cover events both inside and outside the university. We welcome your continued feedback as we strive to improve.

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The United Arab Emirates University:  
Organizes an Open Day for Graduate Studies.

The College of Graduate Studies at the United Arab Emirates University organized an open day for graduate studies in the Great Hall in the Crescent Building. It was aimed at attracting students into Masters and Doctoral programs. It was held in the presence of Professor Ghaleb Al Hadrami, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Studies, Dr. Nagi Wakim, Dean of the College of Graduate Studies, deans of many colleges, faculty, staff, students and visitors. The Ministry of Education – Higher Education Affairs; the Juvenile Welfare Centre (part of the Ministry of the Interior); the National Rehabilitation Centre; the Enrollment Deanship/ Admissions Department and other university faculties were all involved.

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Deputy Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment:  
Inaugurates "Fikra" Center the first of its kind in residential life at UAE University.

The Residential Life Department in UAE University opened "Fikra" Center, which is the first of its kind in the student housing, to be distributed to all university housings, to achieve social and academic integration and personal development, providing a learning environment that helps students to study effectively, in addition to introducing awareness and entertainment events, at the female housing unit A, in the presence of Dr. Ali Alkaabi, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment, and a number of officials and female students.

Dr. Ali Alkaabi stressed “the University’s support for these creative ideas, reflecting the excellence of UAE University students and their creative initiatives and he called on the female students to pursue.

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United Arab Emirates University:  
Organizes several events and competitions in solidarity with Blue Planet Day.

The United Arab Emirates University organized a variety of lectures, events, and activities, to mark World Water Day. The activity drew participants from both inside and outside the UAE community.

The College of Science, in collaboration with the National Water Center, organized the International Symposium of Hohai, Peking, and West England universities for graduate students. Information on ways to manage and track sources of water, as well as scientific progress in this area were presented, and a number of discussions about water issues took place.

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The College of Science at the United Arab Emirates University recently obtained a license to use radioactive materials from the Federal Authority for Nuclear Regulation. Dr. Ahmed Murad, Dean of the College of Science said that, "this license will give students the opportunity of training in radiological measurement plants and applying radioactive sources in nuclear physics experiments. Additionally, they can use x-ray devices in the analysis of substances in the Physics, Geology and Chemistry Departments."

Meanwhile, the college launched the science espresso program to provide support to students in their courses. This program includes faculty, assistants and graduate students to help students from any faculty by supporting and guiding them in difficult areas in subjects such as mathematics, physics, chemistry and others.

The President of the National Organization of Forensic Social Work in the USA presents: A United Arab Emirates University workshop on a ‘Judicial Social Approach to Violence against Children’. 

Dr. Al Qaidi welcomed Dr. Vaughan saying that, “these lectures enrich the students and serve the community”. Dr. Vaughan presented several examples of international organizations dealing with cases of violence against children. In addition she described a career in social work and the efforts to link judicial institutions and social institutions in order to protect the rights of children to be secure from violence.

UAE University: Holds the Endoscopy Masterclass Conference in Dubai.

The Emirates Digestive Diseases Group at the College of Medicine & Health Sciences, UAE University organized an advanced gastrointestinal endoscopy conference: “The Endoscopy Masterclass” which was held at the Movenpick Hotel, Duba.

Dr. Ali Al Fazari, Director of the Emirates Digestive Diseases Group at the College of Medicine and Chairman of the conference stated that this important event comes in line with the larger mission of the College of Medicine and the UAE University is providing quality educational and training programs to practicing clinicians and allied healthcare professionals.
Leading Figures at UAEU:

Professor Lihadh Al-Gazali

Lihadh Al-Gazali is a professor of Clinical Genetics and Pediatrics in the College of Medicine and Health Sciences at the United Arab Emirates University. She obtained her MBCHB degree from Baghdad University and specialized in Pediatrics and Genetics at Edinburgh University in Scotland and Leeds University in England.

Al-Gazali is a Fellow of Royal College of Physicians and Royal College of Pediatrics and Child Health in the United Kingdom. She is an internationally renowned clinician and a leading figure in the area of clinical genetics and dysmorphology in the Middle East.

Al-Gazali has made important contributions in clinical genetics. Since moving to Al Ain in the 1990s she has unearthed a considerable amount of information on genetic disorders, particularly those specific to the UAE and the Arab world in general. Her work as a professor and consultant in genetics and pediatrics at UAEU has contributed to raising community awareness and expanding cooperation with international research institutions as she works to establish the first genetics database in the UAE.

Her research focus is on the delineation of the clinical and molecular basis of autosomal recessive disorders, particularly those found in Arab populations. She has published over 200 papers in high impact international journals and was profiled in the Lancet in March 2006 for her contribution to clinical genetics and research in the Middle East.

Al-Gazali is the 2008 Laureate for Africa and the Arab States of the prestigious “Women in Science UNESCO-L’OREAL Award” for the identification of new inherited diseases. She has received several awards including the “Sheikh Hamdan Bin Rashid Al Maktoum Award for Medical Sciences”, for her contribution to medicine in the Middle East and was made an honorary member of “Alpha-Omega-Alpha Medical Society” in the USA in 2008. This is conferred on physicians or scientists who have made a distinguished contribution to medicine and received widespread recognition for their work.

Al-Gazali is also active in other scientific activities locally and internationally. She is a founding member and executive committee member of the “Center for Arab Genomic Studies”, and sits on several international committees, including: the EU-GCC STI program for cooperation in science, technology and innovation; the Scientific Board of the International Basic Sciences UNESCO Program and the editorial boards of several international journals.

Recently, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan honored Dr. Lihadh Al-Ghazali, with the Abu Dhabi Award, which is the highest civilian honor in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi, for pioneering work in genetics in the Arab world.
2016 – The Year of Reading

Book: Qalamjam3i
Author: UAEU students
Topic:

A collection of poems, texts and stories written by university students. The introduction is written by poet Najat Al Dhaheri: “it is the role of each pen, to find a place in literature”. It begins with formal poetry such as “Tasaalat Al Bahr” by Mohammed Al Marzouqi; “Da ail hob” by Omar Salem; “Indama yagheeb al qamar” by Yasser Mohammed; “Naam lil tatawo” by Zeinab Mohamed and “Lail Al Baad” by Mariam Seif. The poems are emotional, social and national. Then there is poetry written mainly by female students and also short stories. This is followed by literature for children with a story entitled “Fatima likes reading” by Ahmad Musbah Al-Nuaimi. The book ends with prose texts with titles such as “What is the meaning of happiness?”, “Modem”, “Zia and a dream”, “Ghorba” and other titles. The book is the first step for young and promising talent. UAEU sponsors creative writers by providing them with a climate of constructive criticism and support.

Our suggestion for you...

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The United Arab Emirates University, in collaboration with the Human Resources Development and Training Department, organizes a brainstorming session to exchange ideas as part of the training program of the Arab Excellence initiative.

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The United Arab Emirates University organizes workshops and lectures on public speaking and cyber bullying.

The United Arab Emirates University organizes two workshops entitled, “You’re your Career Compatible with Your Life Choices” and “Work Ethics” in the College of Information Technology Theater on campus.

The College of Science of the United Arab Emirates University honors its elite students and organizes a course to guide them towards the future jobs best suited to their qualifications.

University College organized a “Very Short Story: Reality and Prospects” seminar in the Information Technology Theater on campus.

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The most prominent posts on our social networking sites in March 2016:

1. Instagram post from uaeunews: "7 March marks the beginning of the World Water Day. Charlie al-Mejhairi / UAEU / UAEUNews. The post mentions the importance of water conservation.

2. Instagram post from uaeunews: "Today we finished the winter research camp for female students in the Geology Department. @jrepostapp.

3. Instagram post from uaeunews: "As part of the Food and Agriculture Festival, a walking race was held to raise awareness.

4. Twitter post from uaeunews: "The UAEU Department of Geography and Urban Planning organized the "World Water Day" event.

5. Twitter post from uaeunews: "The UAEU Department of Geography and Urban Planning organized the "World Water Day" event. The post includes a video link.

6. Twitter post from uaeunews: "The Arabic text translates to "The most prominent posts on our social networking sites in March 2016."