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Under the patronage of President

Sheikh Khalifa, Mohammed  
Bin Rashid honours UAEU's  
34<sup>th</sup> batch...

Patronage of President His Highness Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, attended a graduation ceremony today held by the United Arab Emirates University, UAEU, in which he honoured the graduates of the 34<sup>th</sup> batch of UAEU graduates, in Al Ain.

The ceremony was attended by H.H. Sheikh Saud Bin Saqr Al Qasimi, Supreme Council Member and Ruler of Ras al-Khaimah, H.H. Sheikh Ammar Bin Humaid Al Nuaimi, Crown Prince of Ajman, Mohammed Ahmed Al Murr, Speaker of Federal National Council, FNC, H.H. Sheikh Tahnoun Bin Mohammed Al Nahyan, Abu Dhabi Ruler's Representative in the Eastern Region, Sheikh Hamdan bin Mubarak Al Nahyan, Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research.

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## Sheikha Fatima...

### Attends graduation ceremony of 296 UAEU, ZU and HCT female students...

H.H. Sheikha Fatima bint Mubarak, Chairwoman of the General Women's Union (GWU), Supreme Chairwoman of the Family Development Foundation (FDF) and President of the Supreme Council for Motherhood and Childhood, attended this evening the graduation ceremony of 296 female students of UAE University, Zayed University, and Higher Colleges of Technology.

Also present were Sheikhas, ministers, FNC members and women leaders. In a speech read on her behalf by Dr Maitha Al Shamsi, Minister of State, Sheikha Fatima congratulated the graduates and urged them to make more effort and promote the process of creativity and innovation.

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## Editorial

The Media and Communications Department has put UAEU's strategic partners at the heart of its annual marketing plan. The first initiative was honoring the university's strategic partners for their contributions during 2015. This included partners from both the government and private sectors. This initiative helps to build bridges, in order to exchange knowledge and experiences, between UAEU and its partners.

The Media and Communications Department seeks to invigorate their relationship with government communications departments in order to consolidate relationship that work to the mutual benefit of both parties by highlighting the media and communications roles played by both entities.

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## Female students at UAEU:

## Organize a Science Day...

His Excellency Dr. Ali Rashid Al Noaimi, Vice Chancellor of the United Arab Emirates University,

opened UAEU's 'Science Day: Challenges and Ambition' exhibition and conference on the morning of Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2015. It was organized by the Department of Geology in the College of Science at UAEU and was held in the Crescent Building Theater on the main Al Ain campus.

Dr. Ali Rashid Al-Noaimi stated that such exhibitions, containing projects, ideas and innovations, are part of the UAE's Year of Innovation 2015. They also demonstrate UAEU's vision of achieving excellence in research. Such initiatives reinforce the support of the national leadership in terms of initiatives and in pursuing the highest academic performance standards. These developments help to provide an environment that embraces innovation and creativity.

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## The UAEU:

## Recognizes Faculty Members in Research Excellence...



The United Arab Emirates University (UAEU) recognized the research efforts of 53 of its faculty members who have brought distinction to the University by publishing their research findings in the top ranking journals of their disciplines in the year 2013. The top 1%, 5%, and 10% journals of each discipline were compiled using both SCOPUS and Web of Science databases. A total of 62 research articles with UAEU faculty members as corresponding authors in the top 1%, 5%, and 10% journals and 4 research articles with UAEU faculty members as co-authors in the top 1% were acknowledged.

These achievements could not have been made without the long-term commitment of H.H. Sheikh Hamdan Mubarak Al Nahayan, the Chancellor of UAEU and Minister for Higher Education and Scientific Research, and his continued support of researchers in order to promote research culture and excellence at the UAEU.

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Al Ain Municipality, Zayed Higher Organization for Humanitarian Care and Special Needs and the UAEU:

### Host the 1<sup>st</sup> Al Ain Forum for the Disabled...

The United Arab Emirates University hosted the first Al Ain Forum for the disabled in cooperation with Al Ain Municipality, the Zayed Higher Organization for Humanitarian Care and Special Needs and a number of other government and semi-governmental organizations, His Excellency Dr. Ali Al Noaimi, Vice Chancellor of UAEU, Dr. Matar Al Nuaimi, General Manager of Al Ain Municipality, officials from various government agencies and a group of disabled people were all in attendance in the Great Hall in UAEU's Crescent Building.

The Forum opened with the national anthem in sign language presented by students from the Zayed Higher Organization for Humanitarian Care and Special Needs. This was followed by a short film of the services for the disabled provided by Al Ain Municipality, and their future plans.



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### The College of Law at the UAEU .. Organizes an Open Day to Promote Major Subjects ...

The College of Law at the United Arab Emirates University organized an open day to introduce and promote its various disciplines and major subjects. This event was held in the College of Information Technology Theater, 2015. Professor Mohamed Al Baili, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; Dr. Ali Al Kaabi, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment; Dr. Mohammed Hassan, Dean of the College of Law, faculty and students were all in attendance.

Professor Mohamed Al Baili delivered an opening speech in which he stressed that, "This event is due to the eagerness of the university's senior management to strengthen relations with community institutions and meet their needs by preparing well-qualified graduates who can help to improve various legal fields and sub-divisions within the discipline of law.

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## The UAEU: Holds the 8<sup>th</sup> Languages Forum for School Teachers and Advisors...

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The Curriculum and Instruction Department in the College of Education at the United Arab Emirates University organized the 8<sup>th</sup> Languages Forum in the Multaqa Theater at the Islamic Institute Building in Al Ain on the morning of Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2015. The title of the forum was 'Teaching Languages and the Development of Thinking Skills'. Faculty from the College of Education, researchers and educators in both the Arabic and English languages were present.

The Forum was opened by Dr. Jamal Al Nuaimi, Acting Dean of the College of Education, who welcomed the participants and praised the efforts of the organizing committee. He added that hosting the 8<sup>th</sup> Languages Forum shows that UAEU is keeping abreast of developments in education and language teaching skills. He further added that language skills are the key to cultural interaction between the different peoples of the world.

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The UAEU:

Discusses  
'Day of the  
Antelopes'  
by Fatima Al  
Mazrouei...



The Department of English Literature at the United Arab Emirates University organized its second academic forum on 'Emirati Literature in the New Millennium'. The focus was on a collection of short stories called 'Day of the Antelopes' by literature professor Dr. Fatima Hamad Al Mazrouei. This forum was held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2015 in the College of Information Technology Theater. There were visitors from the USA and Canada as well as professors from the English Literature Department and many female students in attendance. Professor Saif Al Qaydi, Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, welcomed Dr. Fatima Al Mazrouei. He read from her collection of short stories (Day of the Antelopes). Those in attendance felt that Emirati literature has been unfortunate not to have a more international reach as few writers have worked or studied outside of the region.

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The UAEU:  
 Hosts a Symposium about 'The Mirage' by Jamal Al Suwaidi: A Book Dealing with the Future of Religious Groups...

The United Arab Emirates University recently hosted Dr. Jamal Sanad Al Suwaidi, Director General of the Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research. A symposium was held to review and discuss his book, 'The Mirage', which deals with the future of political and religious groups. The discussion was moderated by Professor Rashid Al Arami. Additionally, Dr. Abdul Hamid Ansari, Professor of Islamic studies and former Dean of the College of Law at Qatar University; Dr. Ammar Ali Hassan, a writer and researcher of political science and Dr. Mohamed Bin Huwaidin, Chair of the Political Science Department at UAEU, spoke about the book to faculty and students on the morning of Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2015 in the Crescent Building Theatre at the university.

The symposium opened with a movie about the book which discussed what it reveals about the goals of 'takfiri' groups, how they were founded and what the public opinion of these groups is like. Dr. Abdul Hamid Ansari said that this volume was a comprehensive encyclopedia with a tremendous amount of information about religious and political groups in terms of their impact and the diffusion of their points of view.

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## UAEU:

Organizes a TEDx Event Showcasing Inspiring Medical Experiences to Celebrate World Health Day...



The Health Awareness Society in the College of Medicine and Health Sciences at the United Arab Emirates University organized a TEDx event to showcase the experiences of successful medical students on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2015. This event was held in the Sheikh Khalifa Hall in the College of Medicine. There were more than 200 students from the college, professors and other participants in attendance. This event is part of a series of conferences aimed at disseminating new ideas and concepts in the field of medicine.

Dr. Mohammed Al Houqani, Assistant Dean for Education and Academic Affairs, gave an opening speech. He explained that, "this event is to celebrate World Health Day through the participation of inspiring and successful physicians in various medical fields.

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## The UAEU Hosts:

A Cultural Exhibition called "Our Culture is Our Pride" in order to Strengthen Emirati National Identity...



The United Arab Emirates University hosted a cultural exhibition (Our Culture is Our Pride) recently. The exhibition was sponsored by the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Community Development, and was aimed at strengthening Emirati national identity and spreading national values, heritage and traditional customs to the students. It was held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April in the Information Technology Building on the Maqam Campus.

Professor Saeed Al Amri, Deputy Director of the Cultural Activities Department at the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Community Development, stated that events such as this are interesting for all levels of society as it informs the public about the work of the ministry, events and competitions, etc.

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## The UAEU holds:

An open day for Masters and Doctoral Programs and Student Research...

The College of Graduate Studies at the United Arab Emirates University organized an open day for postgraduate students and student research recently. The representatives of the HH Sheikh Hamdan Bin Rashid Al Maktoum Award and the Jaleela Foundation were present on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2015 in the Great Hall of the Crescent Building at UAEU. Professor Ghaleb Ali

Al Hadrami, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Studies, and Dr. Ali Al Kaabi, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment as well as professors, researchers and students interested in graduate programs were all present.

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The UAEU:  
Organizes a Geology Open  
Day...

The Department of Geology in the College of Sciences at the United Arab Emirates University organized an open day, in cooperation with the French company TOTAL, on the evening of Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2015 in the theater of the College of Information Technology in Al Ain. The aim of the open day was to introduce students to the career and educational opportunities offered by major international industrial companies.

Dr. Khalid Al Bloushi, Head of the Department of Geology, said that organizing this event is part of the department's vision to work on global partnerships that link UAEU with a wide network of international institutions, companies, and other bodies in order to provide high educational standards, meet international benchmarks and also give students the opportunity to meet with experts from industrial companies.

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Female students from UAEU:  
organize a lecture on creativity  
as part of the Creative Youth  
Campaign...

The Department of Mass Communications at the United Arab Emirates University (UAEU) organized a lecture entitled 'A Step towards Creativity' on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2015. It was delivered by Dr. Khalifah Suwaidi, Assistant Professor in the College of Education as part of the female students 'Creative Youth' graduation project.

Dr. Aisha Al Nuaimi, Associate Professor in the Department of Mass Communications, said that such lectures are important in stimulating student involvement in the creative process. Such events provide an unconventional and unofficial classroom where students can benefit from the experience of experts and acquire skills. This is in line with UAEU's desire to provide an innovative working environment and is part of the university's drive towards developing innovation, initiative and excellence in areas of national importance.

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## UAEU students:

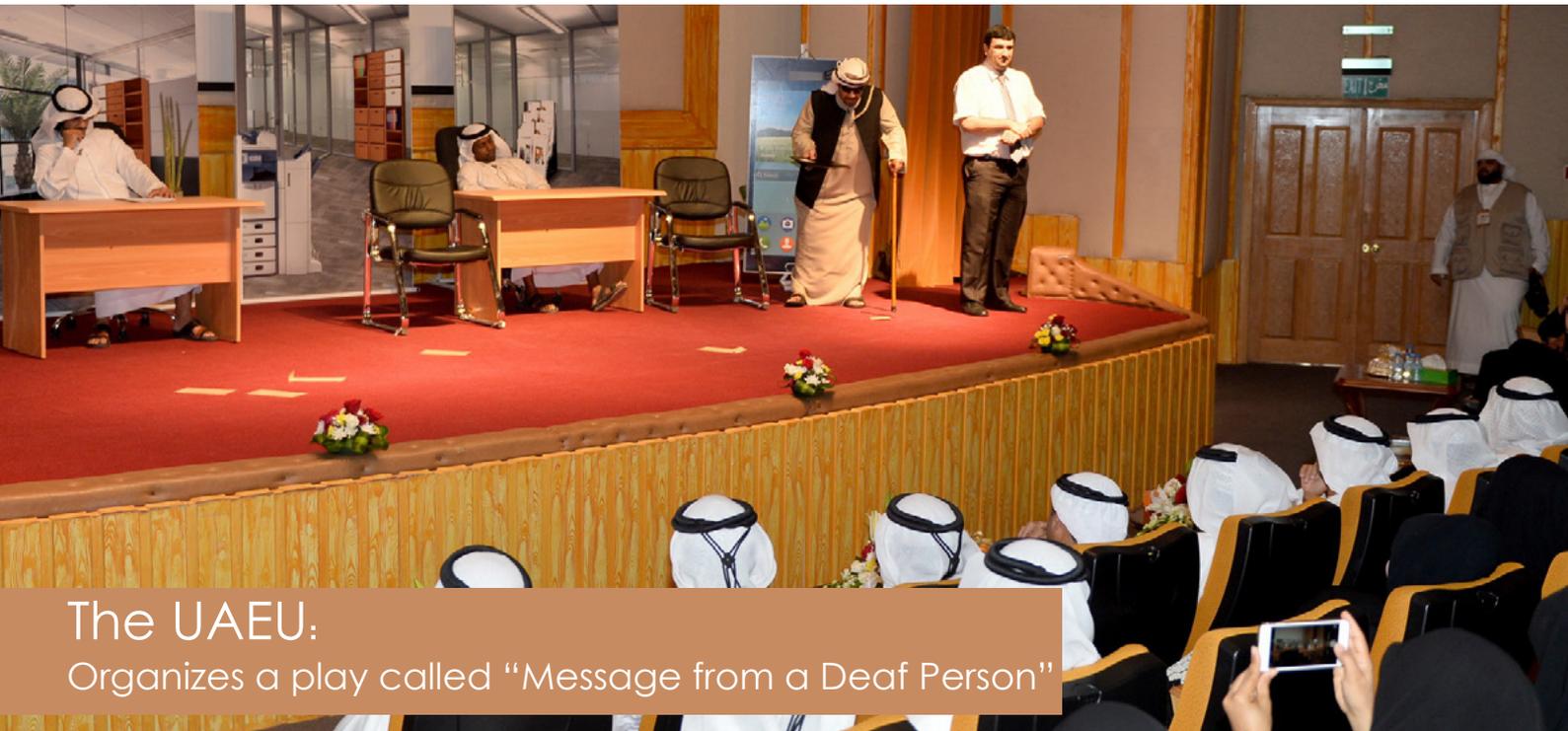
Win three awards at the “Maktoum Bin Mohammed Al Maktoum Moot Court Competition” ...



Students from the College of Law at the United Arab Emirates University (UAEU) won three awards in the 4<sup>th</sup> “Maktoum Bin Mohammed Al Maktoum Moot Court Competition”, held under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Maktoum Bin Mohammed Al Maktoum, Deputy Ruler of Dubai and Chairman of the Dubai Judicial Council. Eleven teams from UAE universities and law schools from Gulf Cooperation Council countries took part.

The UAEU team came first for ‘Best Oral Pleading’, Mariam Saeed Abdul Salam was given the ‘Most Distinctive Female Student’ award, and the team from the College of Law were third in the ‘Overall Excellence’ category. Such achievements reflect the high level, academic excellence and high standards of UAEU students.

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## The UAEU:

Organizes a play called “Message from a Deaf Person”

The Department of Special Education in the College of Education at the United Arab Emirates University, in cooperation with the UAE Deaf Association, organized a play entitled “Message from a Deaf Person” recently. The play was performed at the Multaqa Theatre in Al Ain on the morning of Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> 2015 in the presence of His Excellency Mohamed Fadel Al Hameli, Secretary General of the Zayed Higher Organization for Humanitarian Care and Special Needs; Dr. Ousha Al Muhairi, Chair of the Special Education Department, members of the Board of Directors of the UAE Deaf Association and students.

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## The UAEU: Showcases new disciplines for students at the UAE Careers 2015 Exhibition...

The United Arab Emirates University showcased its new disciplines at the 4<sup>th</sup> UAE Careers Exhibition, which started on Tuesday, 28/4/2015, and will run for three days, under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai. The new disciplines are Bachelor's degrees offered by the College of Education and Master's degrees offered by the College of Agriculture. The Exhibition aims to empower UAE nationals by helping them to meet representatives, recruiters and human resource managers from major companies.

UAEU's participation in this exhibition is an opportunity for high school, colleges and university students to explore the learning, training, and employment opportunities available to them; and to become aware of the Master's and Doctoral programs offered by the university in a variety of disciplines.

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## The College of Law at the UAEU: Holds a seminar on "Legal Aspects Relating to the Disabled"...

The College of Law at the United Arab Emirates University organized a seminar entitled, "Legal Aspects Relating to the Disabled" on Tuesday 21/4/2015 in the College of Information Technology on the Maqam Campus. It was attended by professors, other specialists and students. The Seminar focused on legislation and conventions regarding the rights of disabled people.

During the seminar the rights of disabled people were identified and discussed. This covered issues such as the difficulty of integrating disabled people socially; legal protection for the disabled (in line with national legislation and international conventions) and empirical models explaining the vocational rehabilitation of the disabled.

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