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Al Ain University receives new students with new programs and various services

Al Ain University has intensified its readiness to receive new students at the bachelor's and master's degree with the beginning of the new academic year 2019-2020, which starts from September 2019.

The Admission and Registration Unit at Al Ain University confirmed that AAU is preparing for receiving new students through an integrated program prepared about the academic life and registration courses.

After reviewing the progress of work and registering procedures for new student, Dr. Noor El Deen Atatreh, AAU Chancellor, confirmed that the services provided at Al Ain University reflect the university's strategy to adopt the highest quality standards adopted by the Ministry of Education in the UAE. He added: "Al Ain University receives the new year with a variety of new academic programs to address the need of the local and international labor market, including

the Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity at the College of Engineering and the Master of Criminal Sciences at the College of Law.”

He pointed out that the new academic programs offered aims to; develop students' skills, enhancing their abilities, developing their personalities and in preparing them for the labor market. Since its establishment in 2005, Al Ain University has offered a variety of high quality accredited undergraduate and graduate programs. The University offers 16 bachelor programs, 8 master's programs and a professional diploma in teaching within its six colleges of Engineering, Pharmacy, Law, Education, humanities and social sciences, Business, and Communication and Media. He stressed that the university is keen to expand the programs in the future in line with the rapid development witnessed by the labor market locally and globally.

Dr. Atatreh pointed out that AAU had international accreditation of its programs by respected educational bodies. Where, the College of Engineering is accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET), The Bachelor of Pharmacy program has the distinction of being the first in the UAE to be granted International Certification by the prestigious Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) in the US. Whilst the Bachelor of Law program received accreditation from the Supreme Council for Evaluation, Research and Higher Education (HCERES) in France. And, the Bachelor of Mass Communication and Media accredited by Agency for Quality Assurance through Accreditation of Study Programs AQAS.

As part of its preparation for the academic year 2019-2020, Al Ain University has completed the new expansion building of the University's campus in Al Ain City, which will include the College of Education, Humanities and Social Sciences, the College of Business, and the College of Communication and Media.

AAU Chancellor commented; “The new building will be an incubator for scientific research and host various activities within the AAU community.” He added; The building consists of two floors, a ground floor and four entrances for male and female students. It will contain 10 ‘smart’ classrooms equipped with advanced display screens, internal speakers, and state of the art AV systems, 8 labs, 3 meeting rooms, and multipurpose hall. In addition to halls dedicated to studies and scientific research and advanced recreational facilities and services.

Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, AAU President, said “The new academic year will be full of useful and fun activities which will be an addition to Al Ain University to have a successful and integrated university experience at all levels.”

El Refae stressed that Al Ain University has allocated a variety of scholarships and humanitarian aid to its students according to specific criteria and conditions. The University offers full scholarships covering 100% of the tuition fees of the top five high school graduates, up to 30% discounts for high school graduates with rates of 90% and above, and up to 40% discounts for university students who are academically superior, in addition to scholarships for outstanding students in extracurricular activities.

El Refae added that Al Ain University provides scholarships to students who cannot continue their studies for financial reasons through humanitarian aid. In addition to “Musahama” fund,

which aims to find a permanent source of care for students in financial need by receiving donations and grants from external institutions willing to help.

AAU President also stressed the importance of academic counseling as an integral part of the university education, which helps students to develop educational plans compatible with their professional abilities and goals, enable them to overcome the difficulties they face throughout the university years and prepare for a successful career. He added that the global variables in the educational systems, and the requirements of the future labor market, has become the main drive in the introduction of academic programs of all kinds, and at the university level, which confirms the importance of academic guidance for students during their studies in pre-university and post-university education. Stressing the readiness of all faculty and administrative staff to provide academic guidance services. He also urged the students to follow up with their academic advisor and discuss any difficulties they face.

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