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AL-KITAB UNIVERSITY



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Message From The President



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Since the establishment of Al-Kitab University, we have been dedicated to becoming a leading force for positive change, both locally and regionally. Guided by the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), our university has spearheaded impactful initiatives—including volunteer campaigns, awareness programs, and cutting-edge research in health, green energy, and water sustainability. While our efforts may be modest in scale, their societal impact has been profound, demonstrating our unwavering commitment to the SDGs and a sustainable future.

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Prof. Dr. Ayad Ghany Ismaeel
President Of Al-Kitab University



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About Al-Kitab University

Al-Kitab University, founded in 2012 and elevated to full university status in 2018, is located in Alton-Kopri, Kirkuk. It comprises 12 colleges and 35 departments, offering programs in fields like Dentistry, Engineering, and Law. The campus hosts modern facilities and serves over 16,000 students with 600 academic staff. Al-Kitab is a member of the Association of Arab Universities and partners with local and international institutions to promote academic excellence.

Vision

Al-Kitab University aspires to be a leader in scientific and academic excellence, enhancing the quality of research through community participation, while ensuring continuous development in education in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Mission

- Prepare skilled graduates using modern educational technologies aligned with market demands.
- Foster a creative, innovative, and research-driven academic environment.
- Engage with the local community to support social and economic development.



Sustainability At Al-kitab University

Since the adoption of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in 2015, Al-Kitab University has made sustainability a central pillar of its mission. The university actively addresses environmental, social, and economic challenges through a combination of academic research, institutional policies, and student-led initiatives.

Our journey began with the implementation of sustainability-focused strategies that guide our campus operations, education, and community outreach. We emphasize climate action, renewable energy, environmental protection, and inclusive development.

Faculty and students participate in awareness campaigns, volunteer efforts, and hands-on projects that benefit both the university and the wider Kirkuk region. These include environmental clean-ups, energy efficiency programs, and social development initiatives.

Al-Kitab also partners with local and international institutions to expand its impact and promote global best practices. We are committed to fostering a sustainable culture across all areas of university life.

Learn more about our sustainability efforts at:

<https://uoalkitab.edu.iq/sustainable-development-en/>



Faculties And Departments At Al-kitab University



Faculties And Departments At Al-kitab University



College Of Technical Engineering

- Technical Computer Engineering
- Technical Engineering Of Medical Devices
- Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Technical Engineering
- Aerospace Technical Engineering
- Cybersecurity technical Engineering
- Mechatronics Engineering
- Fuel and Power Engineering
- Technical Construction And Building Engineering



College Of Technical Medical

- Technical Medical Laboratory
- Technical Optical
- Technical Anesthesia
- Technical Radiology and Sonar
- Technical Dental Industry
- Technical Physiotherapy
- Technical Laser Cosmetics
- Technical Artificial Kidneys



College Of Education

- Technical Medical Laboratory
- Technical Optical
- Technical Anesthesia
- Technical Radiology and Sonar
- Technical Dental Industry
- Technical Physiotherapy
- Laser Cosmetics
- Technical Artificial Kidneys



College Of Pharmacy



College Of Dentistry



College Of Nursing

Faculties And Departments At Al-kitab University



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College Of Engineering

- Petroleum Engineering
- Surveying Engineering
- Drone Engineering
- Prosthetic Engineering



College Of Science

- Forensic Science
- Medical Physics
- Mathematical Sciences
- Life Sciences



College of Administrative and Financial Sciences

- Business Administration
- Financial and Banking Sciences
- Accounting



College Of Applied Arts

- Technical Interior Design



College of Media

- Digital Media
- Radio And Television



College of Law

- International Relations and Diplomacy
- Department Of law



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Sustainability Achievements and Awards at Al-Kitab University



Local Research Awards

The Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, Dr. Naeem Al-Aboudi, honors Al-Kitab University for achieving third place across Iraq in the Iraqi Science Day Award.



Local Research Awards

Prof. Dr. Samir Saadoun Al-Jubouri from Al-Kitab University was honored among the Best Ten Researchers in Iraq during a ceremony by Salahaddin University, Czech University, and K-Science Foundation.

SUSTAINABILITY ACHIEVEMENTS

locally

QS TOP UNIVERSITIES



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151-180
Arab Region Rankings

internationally



Al Kitab University : Annual Academic Performance Analysis

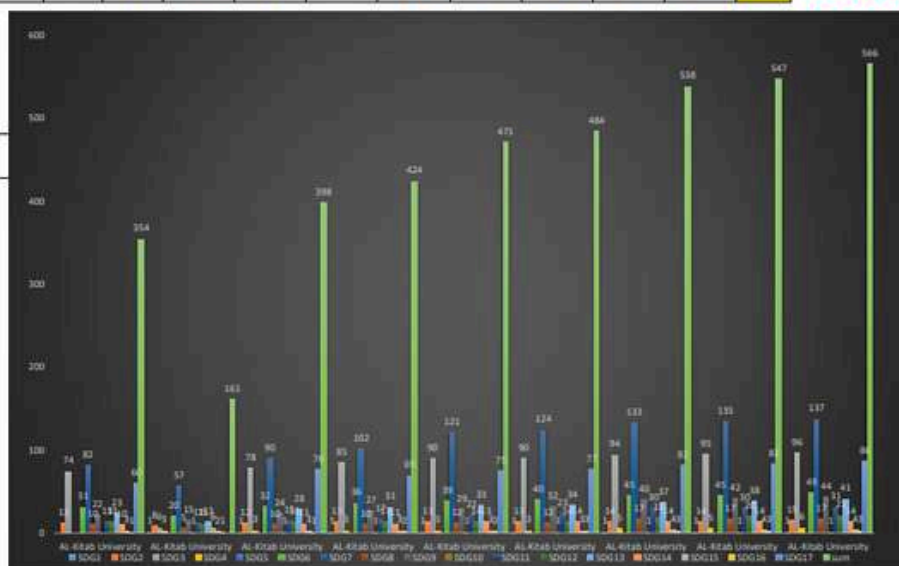
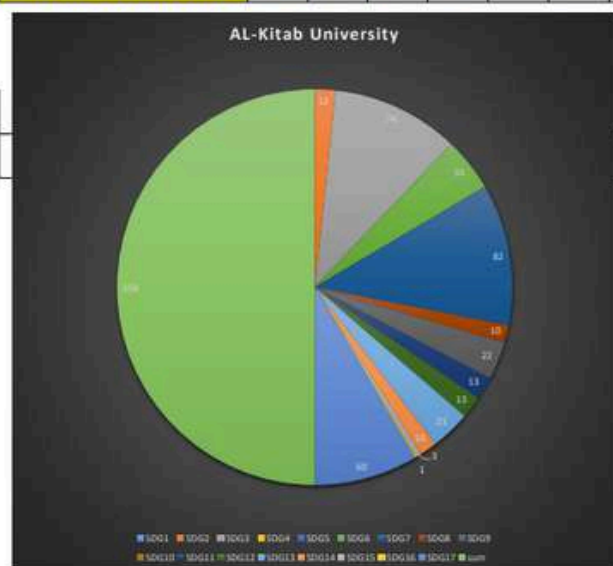
2025				University Counts			2024					
Iraq		Asia		World		Iraq		Asia		World		
123		10,115		18,717		126		10,359		19,572		
Total Ranks	Year : 2025			Change			Year : 2024					
	Rank in Iraq		Rank in Asia		Rank in World		Rank in Iraq		Rank in Asia		Rank in World	
	Citation	64	3,299	7,484	↑ 4	↑ 321	↑ 635	68	3,620	8,119		
	i10	50	2,640	5,998	↑ 9	↑ 624	↑ 1,282	59	3,264	7,280		
	H-Index	65	3,275	7,302	↑ 8	↑ 255	↑ 532	73	3,530	7,834		
	Citation	40	2,162	4,924	↑ 7	↑ 333	↑ 722	47	2,495	5,646		
	i10	43	2,282	5,002	↑ 9	↑ 262	↑ 634	52	2,544	5,636		
	H-Index	45	2,171	4,833	↑ 8	↑ 296	↑ 675	53	2,467	5,508		
Last 6 Years												



SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH CLASSIFICATION ALIGNED WITH SDGs

إحصائية البحوث حسب تصنيف (SDG)

instistutions	SDG1	SDG2	SDG3	SDG4	SDG5	SDG6	SDG7	SDG8	SDG9	SDG10	SDG11	SDG12	SDG13	SDG14	SDG15	SDG16	SDG17	sum	
AL-Kitab University		12	74			31	82	10	22		13	13	23	10	3	1	60	354	1/3/2024
AL-Kitab University	1	8	6	3		20	57	5	15	1	12	11	13	6	2	1		161	1/5/2024
AL-Kitab University	1	12	78	3		32	90	10	24	1	15	13	28	11	3	1	76	398	9/6/2024.
AL-Kitab University	1	13	85	3		36	102	10	27	1	17	13	31	11	3	2	69	424	21/7/2024
AL-Kitab University	1	13	90	3		39	121	12	29	1	22	14	33	13	3	2	75	471	3/9/2024
AL-Kitab University	1	13	90	3		40	124	12	32	1	23	14	34	14	3	3	77	484	28/9/2024
AL-Kitab University	1	14	94	5		45	133	17	40	1	30	18	37	14	4	3	82	538	26/11/2024
AL-Kitab University	1	14	95	5		45	135	17	42	1	30	20	38	14	4	3	83	547	29/12/2024
AL-Kitab University	1	15	96	6		49	137	17	44	1	31	21	41	14	4	3	86	566	18/3/2025





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Sustainable Campus At Al-Kitab University

most buildings at al-kitab university are fully dependent on the sunlight !



Iraq enjoys long seasons of sun exposure, making solar energy a practical and sustainable alternative. At Al-Kitab University, we are committed to reducing reliance on the national grid by expanding clean energy use across campus.

Currently, around 34% of our energy consumption comes from solar power, and we aim to reach 70% by 2030. Over 58% of our buildings are now smart buildings, featuring energy-efficient systems like LED lighting, natural ventilation, double-glazed windows, and inverter-based air conditioners that lower energy use.

Our engineering colleges and clean energy teams continue to lead innovative projects that support our goal of a greener, more sustainable future.



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Water Management on Campus

Most water containers at Al-Kitab University are equipped with smart auto-stop sensors, reducing water waste through efficient, automated refilling systems.



Smart Water Management System Enhances Sustainability on Campus

Al-Kitab University has implemented an advanced water waste management system across its campus to promote sustainability and resource efficiency.

Each water container is equipped with an automatic stop device featuring smart sensors that detect when the container is empty or full. When empty, the sensor signals the system to initiate water pumping; once full, it instructs the system to stop, preventing overflow and water waste.

This intelligent system reflects the university's dedication to efficient water use and environmental responsibility.



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Sustainable agriculture

Sustainable Agriculture to conserve water at Al-Kitab University



Al-Kitab University has built a productive partnership with the Department of Agriculture in Kirkuk to cultivate plants suited for the region's arid summers. Palm and fig trees are key species selected for their drought resistance and visual appeal. The iconic date palm, in particular, is valued for both its resilience and productivity.

The university also grows prickly pear cacti and Adelfa trees, both known for thriving in dry climates with minimal water needs. Currently, 83% of the campus area is cultivated, supported by efficient drip irrigation systems to reduce water consumption.

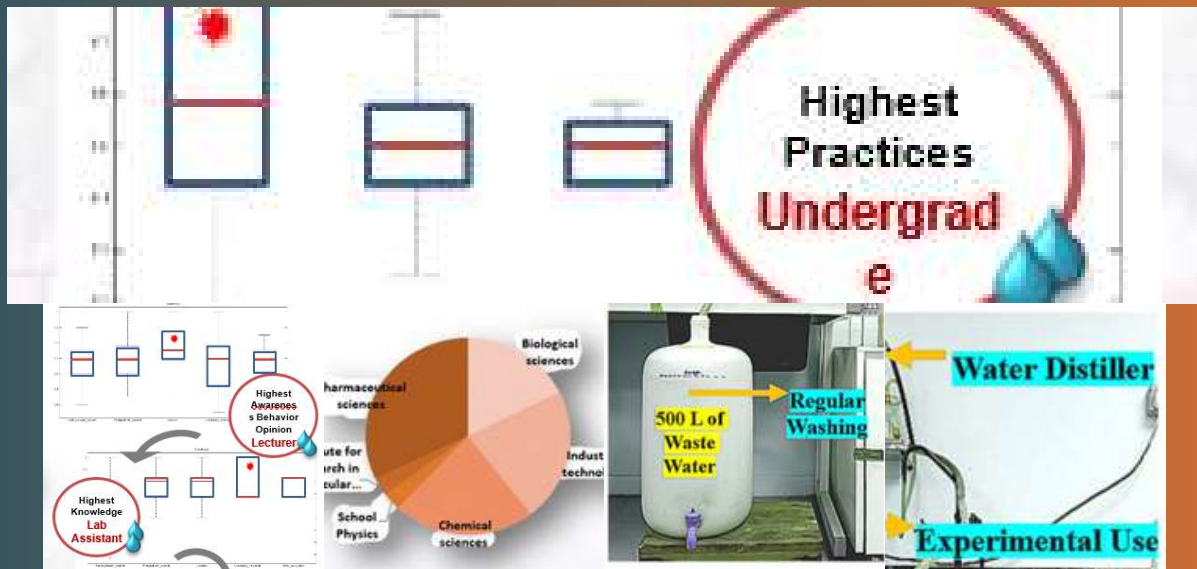
Recognizing the region's limited water resources, Al-Kitab University holds annual meetings with the ministries of irrigation, agriculture, and environment to develop sustainable alternatives to traditional irrigation. The Engineering Unit also leads efforts to implement sprinkler irrigation for optimized water use and plant health, aligning with the university's water conservation goals.



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Waste Management on Campus

reducing energy and water use through smart planning.



Transforming Water Use in Laboratories: A Green Initiative at Al-Kitab University

Al-Kitab University, in collaboration with Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM), has taken a pioneering step toward sustainable water use through a comprehensive study on water waste generated by laboratory distillation processes.

With over 2 million liters of water lost monthly across USM laboratories alone, the initiative highlights the urgency of reusing clean “waste” water produced during distillation.

By assessing awareness, behavior, and practice among lab users and implementing simple reuse strategies, the project has saved up to 93,000 liters annually in a single lab. The study emphasizes the role of green SOPs and leadership from lecturers in driving long-term environmental responsibility across research institutions.



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Waste Management on Campus

Al-Kitab safely disposes of lab waste using a burner machine to prevent harmful chemical contamination.



Safe Disposal of Chemical Waste at Al-Kitab University

Al-Kitab University is committed to environmental safety through the responsible management of laboratory waste. To prevent harmful chemical substances from being discarded into general trash, the university uses a high-temperature incineration machine designed specifically for lab waste. This system ensures that chemical residues from experiments and practical sessions are safely neutralized and disposed of without harming people or the environment. By using this method,

Al-Kitab promotes a cleaner, safer campus while aligning with international sustainability and health standards in scientific research.



ADVANCING THE EFFORTS TO TACKLE THE CLIMATE CHANGE THROUGH SDGS





Al-kitab University

End Poverty In All It's Forms Everywhere

1 NO POVERTY



Projects For Eliminating Poverty In Local Community And Beyond



eliminating poverty in local community and beyond

As part of its Ramadan initiatives to help eliminate poverty in the local community, Al-Kitab University distributed food baskets to street cleaners in Altun Kupri, recognizing their essential role in maintaining city cleanliness under challenging conditions. This humanitarian gesture reflects the university's deep commitment to social responsibility and its efforts to uplift vulnerable groups through meaningful and compassionate engagement. The annual initiative promotes unity, empathy, and solidarity during the holy month, fostering a culture of generosity and shared responsibility among students, faculty, and the broader community to support those most in need.



Ramadan Relief for Orphans in Kirkuk

As part of its ongoing humanitarian efforts during Ramadan, Al-Kitab University organized a medical and relief campaign for orphaned children in Kirkuk. The initiative offered free medical checkups and treatment, along with distributing food baskets to support their needs during the holy month. This reflects the university's strong commitment to social responsibility and community engagement. The campaign also aimed to improve the well-being of orphans by providing essential healthcare access and nutritional support. Students and faculty volunteers actively participated, fostering a sense of empathy, compassion, and civic responsibility across the university community.



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End Poverty In All It's Forms Everywhere

1 NO POVERTY



Projects For Eliminating Poverty In Local Community And Beyond

Flexible Tuition Plans to Support Financial Inclusion

At Al-Kitab University, we believe that education should be a right, not a privilege. In line with our commitment to Sustainable Development Goal 1 (No Poverty), the university has implemented a flexible tuition system designed to ease the financial burden on students and their families. We offer significant tuition discounts based on individual circumstances and allow students to pay their fees in up to four or more installments throughout the academic year.

This initiative ensures that students facing economic hardship are not forced to pause or abandon their education due to financial constraints. Whether a student comes from a low-income household, is self-funded, or experiences unexpected financial difficulties, our policy adapts to support them. By removing financial barriers and creating accessible pathways to higher education, we aim to empower the next generation and break the cycle of poverty through knowledge, opportunity, and support.

2024 Tuition Fee Discounts at Al-Kitab University

In 2024, Al-Kitab University continued its commitment to educational accessibility by offering tuition fee discounts and flexible installment plans to support students facing financial challenges. This initiative reflects our ongoing effort to reduce barriers to higher education.





Al-kitab University

2024 Tuition Fee Discounts at Al-Kitab University

1 NO POVERTY



Empowering Students Through Financial Support in 2024

At Al-Kitab University, we firmly believe that financial hardship should never stand in the way of a student's academic journey. In 2024, the university expanded its support system by offering substantial tuition fee discounts and introducing flexible payment structures tailored to individual circumstances. Students were given the opportunity to divide their tuition into four or more installments throughout the academic year, easing the financial burden on families and allowing more focus on studies.

This initiative was not just a temporary relief measure but a part of Al-Kitab's long-term commitment to social responsibility and educational equality. By addressing economic barriers, we aim to ensure that every qualified student—regardless of their financial background—can access quality higher education and take confident steps toward building a better future. The university continues to assess and refine these programs annually, maintaining an inclusive environment where education remains within reach for all.

Grand Total Of students	college of dentistry	college of engineering	college of law	College of Administrative and Financial Sciences	college of pharmacy	college of nursing	college of technical engineering	college of technical medical	college of education	College - Discount Percentage
9	1			1	3		1	3		3%
21		2		11			1	3	4	4%
939	137	13	50	40	132	28	79	388	72	5%
95	1			1	1	1		90	1	6%
9	1				4				4	7%
23		1				1	3	18		8%
17			1				2	10	4	9%
362	86	4	28	11	88	7	27	102	9	10%
3	1							2		11%
26			2				1	22	1	12%
13	1		1		1			3	7	13%
2		1						1		14%
301	18	6	2	3	40	79	20	131	2	15%
8			1				7			16%
10		2						5	3	17%
14				1				8	5	18%
10		1		1			6		2	19%
517	82	4	33	16	98	28	29	199	28	20%
13			1					8	4	22%
54				3				50	1	23%
7				1			1	4	1	24%
408	76	7	13	8	113	22	21	118	30	25%
1									1	26%
4								1	3	27%
67			1	1		5	4	54	2	29%
78	18	2	3	4	32		3	11	5	30%
2				1				1		32%
1									1	33%
6								2	4	34%
5	1		1	1	2					35%
3				1			2			36%
4									4	38%
21	10		2		5	2		1	1	40%
2								2		42%
14		1						7	6	43%
19			1					7	11	44%
4					2		1	1		45%
1								1		46%
1				1						49%
1				1						49%
920	182	37	36	30	229	22	50	319	15	50%
1								1		56%
76								76		58%
1				1						59%
11	1		2	1	1			6		60%
2	1				1					65%
4									4	67%
1					1					69%
2				1					1	72%
1				1						74%
10	4		1		2			2	1	75%
1								1		85%
2								1	1	88%
5			2	2					1	99%
449	196	3	4	4	200	4	15	19	4	100%
1								1		112%
1								1		115%
1				1						117%
1									1	134%
1			1							150%
3	1		1		1					200%
4588	818	84	187	147	956	199	273	1680	244	Grand Total Of students



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End hunger, ensure nutrition, promote sustainable agriculture

2 ZERO
HUNGER



Combat hunger, ensure access to nutritious food for all, and
support sustainable agricultural practices



Campus Dining for Wellness and Community

At Al-Kitab University, we provide a variety of restaurants and cafeterias to serve both students and staff with delicious, affordable meals. The campus features two main dining venues, including the spacious Zayzafoon Restaurant, which can accommodate over 400 people at once, ensuring comfort, quality, and satisfaction for everyone.

Our food services cater to a wide range of tastes and dietary needs, offering fresh and nutritious options daily. Cleanliness, hygiene, and customer service are top priorities across all dining areas. These facilities are also great social spaces where students and staff can relax and connect.

In addition to daily meals, our restaurants frequently introduce seasonal menus and special offers to keep the dining experience exciting and diverse. Healthy food choices are emphasized to support student performance and overall wellness.

The university also encourages sustainability in food services by minimizing waste and promoting environmentally friendly practices.



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End hunger, ensure nutrition, promote sustainable agriculture

2 ZERO HUNGER



Combat hunger, ensure access to nutritious food for all, and support sustainable agricultural practices



Nourishing Communities Through Compassion and Access

As part of its commitment to community engagement and spiritual solidarity, Al-Kitab University actively participates in serving pilgrims during the Arbaeen of Imam Hussein (peace be upon him) in Karbala. Faculty members, staff, and students volunteer each year to offer essential services, including distributing food, drinks, and medical aid to support millions of visitors making the sacred journey.

This humanitarian contribution reflects the university's dedication to religious values, public service, and strengthening national unity. Through its ongoing presence and support during Arbaeen, Al-Kitab University emphasizes compassion, cooperation, and social responsibility as core principles of its mission.



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Ensuring Access to Quality Healthcare for All

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



Promote Health and Well-Being for All



As part of its mission to promote public health, Al-Kitab University continues to provide free dental care and medical services to underserved communities in Kirkuk. These efforts are led by the College of Dentistry, with strong support from faculty, students, and medical professionals.

The initiative offers regular outreach programs targeting orphans, low-income families, and individuals with limited access to healthcare. Comprehensive treatments, including examinations, fillings, and oral hygiene education, are delivered with professionalism and compassion.

This program not only supports the health and well-being of vulnerable populations but also enhances student training and fosters community engagement as part of our broader commitment to social responsibility.



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Ensuring Access to Quality Healthcare for All

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



Promote Health and Well-Being for All



Science Students Visit Oncology Hospital in Kirkuk

As part of its commitment to humanitarian values and practical learning, Al-Kitab University organized a meaningful visit for students from the College of Science to the Oncology Hospital in Kirkuk. The visit aimed to promote empathy, compassion, and social responsibility among students by allowing them to engage directly with cancer patients.

Carrying gifts of flowers and fruit, the students expressed solidarity and support for those undergoing treatment, spreading hope and positivity throughout the hospital. These gestures, while simple, left a strong emotional impact on both patients and visitors.



Al-Kitab University Supports Hemophilia Awareness and Treatment for Children

Al-Kitab University continues its annual initiative to support children with hemophilia by fully covering treatment costs for 61 patients for the second year in a row. The university sponsored a heartfelt ceremony attended by families, doctors, and community leaders to raise awareness and show solidarity.

This initiative reflects the university's commitment to health equity and social responsibility, easing the burden on families and promoting compassionate care. Through continued support, Al-Kitab University reinforces its role in uplifting vulnerable communities and fostering a healthier society.



Al-Kitab University

Empowering Minds Through Quality Education

4 QUALITY EDUCATION



Ensure Inclusive, Equitable, and Lifelong Learning for All



Advancing Quality Education through International Scientific Exchange

Al-Kitab University is hosting the 5th International Scientific Conference on Development, Humanitarian, and Administrative Studies, emphasizing "Comprehensive Development: The Optimal Path for a Better Life." Scheduled for December 28–29, 2024, and officially approved by the Iraqi Ministry of Higher Education, the conference provides a platform for researchers to present original work in Scopus-indexed journals. This initiative demonstrates the university's commitment to fostering global academic dialogue, advancing inclusive quality education, and supporting lifelong learning through international research collaboration.



Aerospace Engineering Students Engage in Hands-On Learning Through Field Visit

Students from the Department of Aerospace Technical Engineering at Al-Kitab University conducted a scientific visit to the Ministry of Interior to closely examine aircraft and aviation systems in a real-world context.

This initiative reflects the university's dedication to experiential learning and knowledge enhancement. Al-Kitab continues to prioritize international academic mobility and practical exposure, ensuring students gain both local and global insights to enrich their educational journey and professional development.



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Empowering Minds Through Quality Education

4 QUALITY EDUCATION



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Ensure Inclusive, Equitable, and Lifelong Learning for All



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Hands-On Clinical Training for Nursing Students

As part of their practical curriculum, second-year nursing students at Al-Kitab University are undergoing hands-on clinical training at Azadi Teaching Hospital and the Hematology and Oncology Hospital in Kirkuk. This essential training allows students to apply theoretical knowledge in real-world medical settings, enhance their clinical skills, and gain valuable experience in patient care under professional supervision. The university remains committed to providing high-quality medical education that bridges classroom learning with practical application, preparing students for successful careers in healthcare.



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Educational Visit by Dughsh Students to Al-Kitab University

Al-Kitab University recently welcomed a group of female students from Dughsh in Kirkuk for an educational tour of the campus. The visit offered the students a firsthand look at the university's academic environment, modern facilities, and vibrant student life. Through guided tours and interactive sessions, the students explored various colleges and labs, gaining insight into university programs and future academic opportunities. This initiative reflects Al-Kitab University's commitment to community outreach and inspiring the next generation of learners.



Al-Kitab University

Empowering Women Through Education, Opportunity, and Recognition

5 GENDER EQUALITY



Achieve Gender Equality and Empower Women Everywhere



Hands-On Clinical Training for Nursing Students

In celebration of International Women's Day, Al-Kitab University's Women's Empowerment Unit, in collaboration with the College of Education and the College of Technical Engineering, held a scientific seminar titled "The Economic Empowerment of Iraqi Women – The Success Story of Businesswoman Noor Mujtaba Hadi."

The event was attended by Dr. Hazaa Dawood, Assistant President for Scientific Affairs, along with several college deans, department heads, and students.

The seminar highlighted the inspiring journey of Noor Mujtaba Hadi and her contributions to the Iraqi business sector. She was honored with a commemorative shield from the university.



Al-Kitab University Hosts Seminar on Violence Against Women

The College of Nursing at Al-Kitab University organized a scientific seminar titled "Violence Against Women" on Tuesday. The session was led by Assistant Lecturer Ghaidaa Jasem Mohammed, who discussed the definition, types, and global and regional statistics on violence against women. The seminar explored social factors contributing to violence, including physical, psychological, economic, and social abuse, along with the health consequences and preventive strategies. Attended by faculty and students, the event emphasized awareness and education as key tools in addressing and reducing this critical issue.



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Empowering Communities Through Access to Clean Water

6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



Ensure Clean Water Access and Promote Sanitation for All



Al-Kitab University Champions Water Sustainability at Arab League Forum

Al-Kitab University presented groundbreaking research at the Arab League Forum on World Water Day, showcasing innovative solutions for water sustainability. The paper emphasized AI-powered irrigation, advanced wastewater treatment, and the university's commitment to scientific research aimed at securing a sustainable water future.



Dental Students Honor Late Classmate with Water Well in Pakistan

In a heartfelt gesture of loyalty and remembrance, fifth-year students from the College of Dentistry at Al-Kitab University funded the construction of a water well in a remote village in Pakistan. This charitable act serves as a continuous donation (Sadaqah Jariyah) in memory of their late colleague, Noor Qais Jumaa — may she rest in peace. In tribute, the graduating class also named their cohort "Al-Noor." This meaningful initiative reflects the students' compassion, unity, and commitment to social impact, embodying the university's values of empathy, generosity, and global humanitarian outreach.



Al-Kitab University

Solar Solutions, Sustainable Living

7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY



promoting Sustainable and Accessible Clean Energy Solutions



Tracking Our Carbon Footprint for a Greener Future

In 2023, Al-Kitab University recorded a total carbon footprint of 816.432 metric tons, marking a vital step in monitoring its environmental impact. This data serves as a baseline for future sustainability efforts, helping the university develop effective strategies to reduce emissions. Through ongoing assessment and eco-conscious practices, Al-Kitab University reaffirms its commitment to building a greener, more sustainable campus environment.



Al-Kitab University Hosts Seminar on Sustainable Development

As part of its commitment to raising awareness on environmental and social issues, Al-Kitab University organized a seminar titled "Sustainable Development". The session aimed to educate students and faculty about the principles of sustainability, the importance of balancing economic growth with environmental protection, and the role of higher education in achieving global development goals. The event encouraged active dialogue on building a more sustainable future through knowledge, innovation, and community engagement.



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Solar Solutions, Sustainable Living

7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY



promoting Sustainable and Accessible Clean Energy Solutions



Promoting Clean Energy with Electric Mobility at Al-Kitab University

As part of its commitment to sustainable and clean energy practices, Al-Kitab University has introduced electric golf carts for transportation within the campus.

This initiative aims to minimize the reliance on fuel-powered vehicles and reduce carbon emissions in daily campus operations. By adopting electric mobility solutions, the university is fostering an environmentally friendly atmosphere, enhancing air quality,

and setting a practical example of clean energy implementation for students and staff alike.



Al-kitab University

Driving Inclusive Economic Growth for All

8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



Empowering Futures Through Decent Work Opportunities



Boosting Investment Through Commercial Arbitration in Iraq

Al-Kitab University, represented by the Assistant President for Scientific Affairs, Dr. Hazaa Dawood, participated in a key seminar organized by the Iraqi Chambers of Commerce in collaboration with USAID at the Baghdad International Fair. The session, titled "The Role of Commercial Arbitration in Enhancing Investment," focused on strengthening Iraq's economic and legal infrastructure to attract and protect investments. This initiative supports sustainable economic development, encourages fair business practices, and fosters a more secure environment for growth and employment across the country.



Empowering Student Innovation Through Global Competitions

In alignment with its commitment to fostering innovation and entrepreneurial thinking, Al-Kitab University supported the participation of Zain Al-Abidin Sabah Ali, a student from the College of Pharmacy, in the prestigious Falling Walls Lab at the Erbil International Fair. Organized under the patronage of Salahaddin University and Open Space Academy, the event encouraged youth-driven solutions to global challenges. As part of the university's Technological Entrepreneurship Incubator, this initiative reflects Al-Kitab's role in preparing students for future careers and promoting economic growth. Through such platforms, the university nurtures research, innovation, and global engagement.



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Building Resilient Infrastructure for Future Progress

9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



Fostering Innovation and Sustainable Industrial Growth



LINE UP OF BATCHES



Pharmacy Students Develop Innovative Skincare Solutions

Demonstrating creativity and scientific innovation, students from the College of Pharmacy at Al-Kitab University have formulated two unique products: a pleasantly scented soap and a specialized hand cream designed to heal damaged skin and enhance smoothness. These student-led inventions reflect the university's commitment to fostering research and innovation in health and pharmaceutical sciences—contributing to sustainable industry and infrastructure development while encouraging student entrepreneurship, practical application of academic knowledge, and real-world impact within the fields of healthcare and personal care innovation.



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Promoting Equality for All

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES



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Al-Kitab University Supports Sanitation Workers with Ramadan Food Baskets

As part of its ongoing Ramadan charitable initiatives, Al-Kitab University distributed food baskets to sanitation workers in the Tuun Koubri area. This gesture recognized their hard work in maintaining city cleanliness during challenging conditions. The initiative reflects the university's commitment to social responsibility and supporting vulnerable groups, promoting solidarity within the community. The food baskets brought gratitude from the workers, showcasing the positive impact of the university's contributions in fostering equality and compassion. This annual effort aligns with the university's mission to support underserved members of society during Ramadan.



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Supporting Vulnerable Communities Through Financial and Moral Support

In a heartwarming initiative, the faculty and students of Al-Kitab University's College of Pharmacy came together to provide both financial and moral support to individuals in need. This generous act highlights the university's commitment to reducing inequalities by directly assisting those facing challenges. The support not only addresses immediate financial needs but also fosters a sense of community and solidarity. Through such efforts, Al-Kitab University continues to promote equality and contribute to the well-being of its wider community, reinforcing the values of compassion and social responsibility.



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Inclusive Cities, Sustainable Futures

11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



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Building Resilient Communities for a Greener Tomorrow



Pharmacy Students Lead Tree Planting for Nowruz

Students from the Department of Pharmacy at Al-Kitab University, supported by university leadership and in cooperation with the Municipality of Altun Kopri, launched a tree planting campaign in the Qara Bek area near the university. This initiative, part of the university's extracurricular program, reflects a strong commitment to sustainability, community engagement, and creating greener, more livable urban spaces.



Al-Kitab Hosts Second International Forum for Eco-Friendly Universities

Under the leadership of Al-Kitab University's president and the supervision of the College of Engineering Technology, the university organized the Second International Forum for Eco-Friendly Universities in collaboration with the Al-Kitab Platform for Sustainable Development and Green Hydrogen. The forum aimed to raise environmental awareness, share global university experiences in sustainability, foster international academic cooperation, support scientific research focused on environmental challenges, and develop actionable recommendations to promote comprehensive sustainability within higher education institutions.



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Fostering Sustainability Through Conscious Consumption

12 RESPONSIBLE
CONSUMPTION
AND PRODUCTION



Shaping a Greener Future with Responsible Production Practices



Promoting Sustainability Through Education and Innovation at Al-Kitab

Al-Kitab University actively fosters responsible consumption and production by organizing national symposiums, workshops, and conferences focused on sustainability. Through student-led initiatives such as campus waste recycling, solar-powered home design, and eco-conscious research projects, the university emphasizes environmental stewardship and resource efficiency. These efforts are complemented by awareness programs on pollution, smart cities, and green technologies, empowering students and the local community to adopt sustainable practices in education, infrastructure, and daily life.



Pharmacy Students Lead Water Bottle Recycling Initiative at Al-Kitab University

Students from the College of Pharmacy at Al-Kitab University successfully launched a practical recycling initiative focused on plastic water bottles, contributing to responsible consumption and production. The campaign followed a simple 3-step process—collect, clean, and recycle—encouraging campus-wide participation and environmental awareness. This student-led effort not only reduced plastic waste on campus but also promoted a culture of sustainability aligned with global development goals.



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Al-Kitab Fights Climate Change

13 CLIMATE ACTION



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Act for the Climate



The First National Conference on Green Education

The First National Conference on Green Education gathered educators, researchers, and environmental experts to explore innovative ways of embedding sustainability into academic systems. The event aimed to promote eco-conscious learning environments, encourage green campus initiatives, and align educational practices with global efforts to combat climate change. The conference represents a major step toward empowering future generations to lead in environmental stewardship and sustainable development.



Award-Winning Smart Recycling Project for a Sustainable Campus

The "Smart Recycling" project, developed by a group of Al-Kitab University students under the supervision of the Technological Incubator for Entrepreneurship and Environment, was recognized as a winning initiative during Global Entrepreneurship Week 2024. The project promotes sustainability on campus through innovative waste management solutions, reflecting the university's commitment to supporting eco-friendly, student-led initiatives that align with the Sustainable Development Goals.



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Date: 3 December 2024
 Time: 11:00 - 13:00 UTC
 Register here

MEET OUR GYA SPEAKERS

Dr Stella Tsani
 GYA member, Associate Professor at the Department of Economics National at the Kapodistrian University of Athens

Dr Renard Siew
 GYA alumni, Climate Advisor for the Centre for Governance & Political Studies (CINT-GPS)

Dr Luisa Diele-Viegas
 GYA member, Researcher at University of Mississippi and collaborator professor at the Federal University of Bahia and State University of Santa Cruz

Dr Patrick Cobbinah
 GYA alumni, Associate professor of urban planning and Co-Director of the Informal Urbanism Hub, Faculty of Architecture, Building and Planning, The University of Melbourne

Discussion And Insights
 As the global shift toward renewable energy grows, communities are central to balancing energy development and stakeholder interests. This webinar will explore how both energy sectors can engage with communities, manage conflicts, and contribute to SDG 7 and SDG 13.

MODERATED BY:

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International Series of Seminar on Clean Energy for Sustainable Use

In collaboration with Global Young Academy, an international series of seminars brought together distinguished researchers from leading global universities to discuss the future of clean and sustainable energy. The event focused on innovative technologies, policies, and strategies aimed at promoting the efficient use of renewable resources. It served as a platform for exchanging knowledge and fostering international collaboration in the transition toward a more sustainable energy future.



Empowering Climate-Health Communication Through Academia

The Green Ambassadors team of Al-Kitab University was involved in international community activities in support of substantiality and growth. From pioneering green and recycling practices in academic laboratories to leading environmental projects in higher education, their journey reflects a passion for bridging scientific knowledge and public awareness. The team's contributions inspire positive change and align with the mission of the Climate and Health Science Communication Award 2024.



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Fostering Justice and Accountability Through Inclusive Institutions

16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS



Building Peaceful Societies Through Education and Civic Engagement



Promoting Road Safety: Awareness Seminar Hosted by Al-Kitab University

Al-Kitab University hosted an insightful awareness seminar on road safety, attended by the Director of Traffic Police in Kirkuk. The event aimed to educate students and staff on the importance of traffic regulations, safe driving practices, and public responsibility in reducing accidents. This initiative reflects the university's commitment to fostering a culture of safety and civic responsibility within the community.



Al-Kitab University Takes Part in "Drug-Free Iraq" National Conference

Al-Kitab University actively participated in the "Drug-Free Iraq" conference held in Baghdad, affirming its role in national efforts to combat drug abuse. The university's delegation joined policymakers, experts, and institutions in discussing strategies for prevention, awareness, and rehabilitation. This engagement highlights Al-Kitab's dedication to promoting public health, safety, and social responsibility across the country.



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Al-Kitab University Hosts Awareness Seminar on Traffic Safety

Al-Kitab University organized an educational seminar focused on traffic awareness and road safety, aiming to promote responsible driving behavior and reduce traffic-related incidents. The session brought together students, faculty, and traffic authorities to discuss practical measures for safer roads, emphasizing the importance of community cooperation and awareness in fostering a culture of safety and accountability.



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Awareness Seminar on the Dangers of Drug Abuse

Al-Kitab University, through its Educational Guidance and Psychological Counseling Unit, organized an awareness seminar in collaboration with the Anti-Narcotics Department, Kirkuk Health Directorate, and the Free Doctors Organization. The seminar focused on the severe mental and physical impacts of drug abuse. Faculty members and students attended the session, which aimed to educate youth on the risks of addiction and promote a healthier, drug-free society.



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Al-Kitab University Signs Agreements with Universities of Sousse and Monastir

On the sidelines of the Arab Universities Union Conference in Baghdad, Al-Kitab University signed two scientific cooperation agreements with the University of Sousse and the University of Monastir in Tunisia. The agreements include collaboration in e-learning, joint research initiatives, curriculum development, and co-supervision of postgraduate theses. This step strengthens Al-Kitab University's global academic partnerships and reflects its commitment to excellence in education and research.



Al-Kitab University Signs Cooperation Agreement with Hashemite University

A delegation from Al-Kitab University, led by President Prof. Dr. Ayad Barznji and Mr. Yaqoub Najmuddin, visited Hashemite University in Jordan. The visit included a formal reception by Hashemite University President Prof. Dr. Fawaz Al-Zboon, followed by the signing of a scientific and academic cooperation agreement. The delegation also toured the university's facilities and laboratories. Both parties expressed their enthusiasm for strengthening ties and expanding collaborative efforts in education and research.



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Al-Kitab University Explores New Academic Partnerships in Jordan

As part of his visit to Jordan, Prof. Dr. Ayad Barznji, President of Al-Kitab University, continued his academic tour by visiting key institutions including the General Secretariat of the Association of Arab Universities—of which Al-Kitab is an active member. He met with Secretary-General Prof. Dr. Amr Salama, followed by meetings with Prof. Dr. Nathir Obeidat, President of the University of Amman, and officials from the University of Jordan. The visit included tours of the teaching hospital and embryo research center, and concluded with in-depth discussions on expanding academic collaboration.



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Al-Kitab University Signs Cooperation Agreement with Mu'tah University

Continuing his official visit to Jordan alongside a delegation of Iraqi university presidents, Prof. Dr. Ayad Barznji, President of Al-Kitab University, met with Prof. Dr. Salameh Saleh Al-Naimat, President of Mu'tah University. The two leaders signed a memorandum of understanding to strengthen academic and scientific collaboration between the institutions, fostering joint research, student exchange, and educational initiatives.



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Strategic Partnerships Forged at the 4th Arab-Russian University Presidents Forum

Prof. Dr. Ayad Barznji, President of Al-Kitab University, actively participated in the 4th Forum of Arab and Russian University Presidents hosted at Moscow State University. During the forum, he signed multiple cooperation agreements with five prominent Russian universities. The event also included the exchange of commemorative shields and gifts with the President of Moscow State University and the Secretary-General of the Association of Arab Universities—strengthening international academic ties and collaboration.



Al-Kitab University Strengthens Academic Ties with Malaysian Universities

Al-Kitab University continues to expand its global academic network by establishing stronger partnerships with leading Malaysian universities. This initiative aims to promote collaborative research,

student and faculty exchange programs, and joint academic activities—fostering mutual growth and innovation in higher education.



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Al-Kitab University Signs Scientific Cooperation Agreement with University of Dundee

A delegation from Al-Kitab University, led by Prof. Dr. Ayad Barznji, along with Mr. Yaqoob Najmaddin and Dr. Omed Darwesh, Assistant Dean of the College of Pharmacy, visited the University of Dundee in Scotland. During the visit, a memorandum of academic and scientific cooperation was signed between the two institutions. The agreement was signed by Prof. Dr. Ayad Barznji on behalf of Al-Kitab University and Prof. Ian Gillespie on behalf of the University of Dundee, marking a step forward in fostering international collaboration and academic excellence.



Al-Kitab University Signs Academic Cooperation Agreement with University of Strathclyde, Glasgow

A delegation from Al-Kitab University, headed by Prof. Dr. Ayad Barznji and including Mr. Yaqoob Najmuddin and Dr. Omed Dwrish, Assistant Dean of the College of Pharmacy, visited the prestigious University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Scotland. The visit culminated in the signing of a memorandum of scientific and academic cooperation. The agreement was signed by Prof. Dr. Ayad Barznji on behalf of Al-Kitab University and Prof. Jim McDonald, President of the University of Strathclyde—an institution established in 1796 and recognized as the first technological university in the UK following its Royal Charter in 1964.



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Al-Kitab University Signs Scientific and Academic Cooperation Agreement with Atatürk University, Turkey

As part of its ongoing efforts to strengthen international partnerships, Al-Kitab University has signed a memorandum of scientific and academic cooperation with Atatürk University in Turkey.

The agreement aims to foster collaboration in research, e-learning, and joint supervision of postgraduate theses, contributing to the advancement of educational quality and scientific development in both institutions.



Al-Kitab University Signs Scientific and Academic Cooperation Agreement with Al-Hussein Bin Talal University, Jordan

During his official visit to Jordan, Prof. Dr. Ayad Barznji, President of Al-Kitab University, signed a memorandum of scientific and academic cooperation with Prof. Dr. Atef Al-Kharabsheh, President of Al-Hussein Bin Talal University.

The agreement aims to promote joint research, academic exchange, and collaborative educational initiatives between the two institutions.



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Al-Kitab University Strengthens Ties with Jordanian Institutions through High-Level Delegation Visit

Prof. Dr. Ayad Barznji, President of Al-Kitab University, and Mr. Yaqoub Najm Al-Din, the university's investor, participated in a joint delegation with Nulij, Al-Furqan, Al-Qalam, and Al-Nukhba Universities during a visit to Jordan. The delegation met with H.E. Dr. Azmi Mahafzah, Jordan's Minister of Higher Education, and visited the Hashemite University, where a memorandum of scientific and academic cooperation was signed to enhance collaboration between the institutions.



Al-Kitab University Strengthens Academic Ties with University of Petra and Jordanian Leaders

During his ongoing visit to Jordan, Prof. Dr. Ayad Barznji, President of Al-Kitab University, continued his tour with a delegation of Iraqi university presidents. On Tuesday, he met with H.E. Dr. Adnan Badran, former Prime Minister of Jordan, and visited the University of Petra, where he signed a memorandum of understanding for scientific and academic cooperation with the university's President, Prof. Dr. Rami Abdel Rahim. This collaboration aims to foster joint research and educational initiatives between the two institutions.

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