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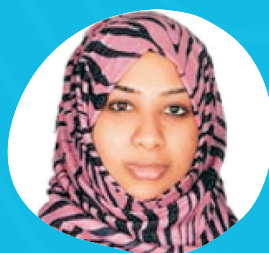
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Ramadan
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SORBONNE UNIVERSITY ABU DHABI
EVENTS AND ARTIST HIGHLIGHT

– Research News & Events

Bidding for hosting mega events

28 Jan, Case Study

An online conference delivered by Taha Diaey, Head of FIFA/CIES management module in Cairo and Alumnus of the FIFA Master who talked about a case study on bidding for hosting mega events.

“The Question of Identity in the Emirati Women’s Novel”

24 Jan, Online Conference

Dr Muna Al Sahili discussed the term “identity” and explored the role of Emirati women’s novel in tackling issues related to the question of identity during this online conference. This event was organised in collaboration with CEFREPA.

Abdallah al-Tariqi and the history of the Arab oil globalisation

24 Jan, Online Conference

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“The Question of Identity in the Emirati Women’s Novel”

15 Feb, Online Conference

An online conference delivered by Pedro Correia, FIFA consultant and senior sports and events consultant who talked about strategic project management for international sports events.

Anne Abeillé: La Grande Grammaire du français, an extraordinary book & project

28 Feb, Conference

A conference by Prof Anne Abeillé, who presented her latest exceptional book and project and tackled various topics related to French language and crucial issues behind the concept of “norm” and “good usage”.

The Social Sciences and Humanities Student Research (SSH SRC)

14 Mar, Conference

A conference which held on campus hosting 18 student participants from various disciplines and universities across the UAE where the students presented their undergraduate or postgraduate research papers.

What’s the Economic Impact of Ramadan on MENA Region?

19 Apr, Ramadan Talks

The talk was delivered by Dr Salem Boubakri, Associate Professor of Economics in the Law, Economics and Management Department at Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi, who covered the impact of Ramadan on economic activity.

– Research News & Events

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi students Selected for UAE Graduate Students Research (GSRC) 2022

24 Mar, Conference

Marcus Engsig our year 3 bachelor's in physics student and Irfan Mushtaq, our Master in International Law, International Relations and Diplomacy student, have been selected by UAE GSRC 2022 to present his research project, the was developed under the supervision of Dr Alejandro Tejedor, Assistant Professor in the Science & Engineering Department Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi. The Graduate Students Research Conference (GSRC) is an exciting interdisciplinary academic event that shares research conducted at universities across the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and their international partners

"What Regulation for Artificial Intelligence?"

11 Apr, Hybrid Conference

The conference hosted industry experts, academics, and researchers from Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi as well as other universities. It included a talk by Mr Paul Nemitz, the principal advisor to the EU Commission, a talk by Ms Manel Ben Said, senior associate at Al Tamimi & Company and it was concluded with a talk by Sumaya Al Hajeri, AI expert.

The meaning of Ramadan. Selected texts from the Qur'an and the Sunna of the Prophet

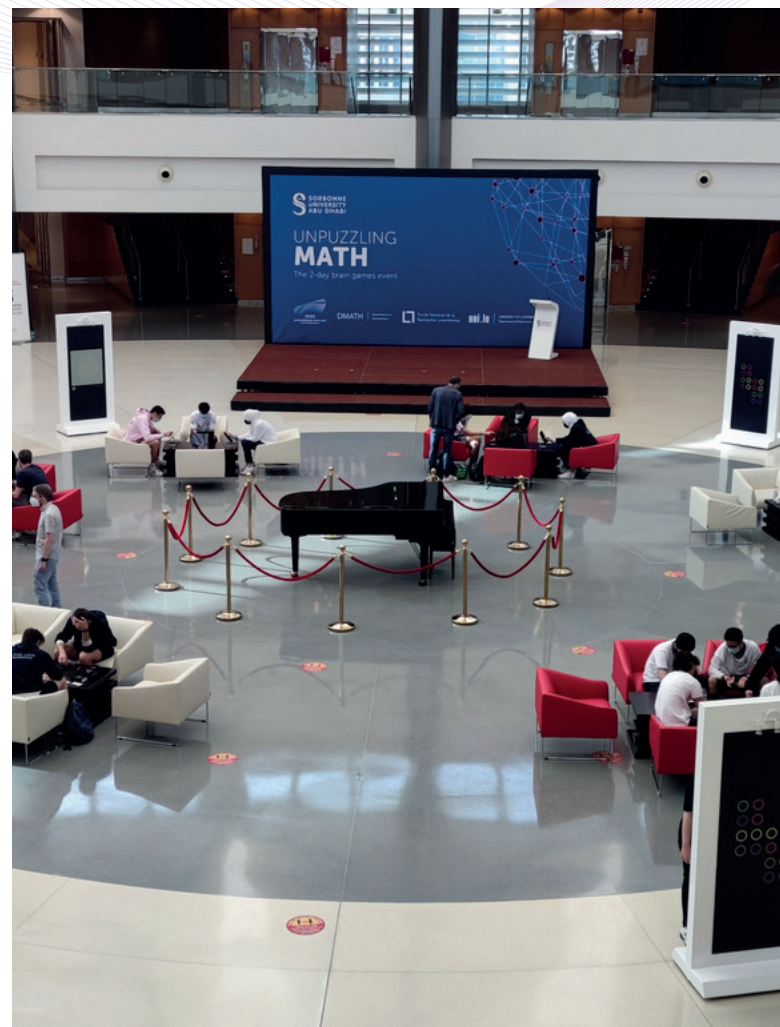
26 Apr, Ramadan Talks

The talk was delivered by Dr Ida Zilio-Grandi, Associate Professor of Arabic Language and Literature at the University of Venice Ca' Foscari who explained the meaning of Ramadan from linguistic and religious points of view.

The Horasis Global Meeting

19 May, Meeting

Dr Claude Vishnu Spaak, Head of the Philosophy and Sociology Department at Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi was part of a panel titled "On Philosophy – Political Ethics in a New Age" at the Horasis Global Meeting.



– Research News & Events

Chinese Expatriate Community in the UAE: Opportunities and Challenges in a New Era

24 May, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi- CEFREPA Diwan

A hybrid conference delivered by Dr Yuting Wang, a Professor of Sociology at the American University of Sharjah in the UAE and a Nonresident Research Fellow in the Center on Religion and the Global East at Purdue University.

International Women in Mathematics Day 2022

13 Jun, Hybrid Conference

A hybrid conference that was organised in commemoration of International Women in Mathematics Day and hosted renowned female mathematicians.

The International day for universal access to information

28 Sep, Seminar

The seminar highlighted the significance of access to information and focused on artificial intelligence and e-governance. Critical conversations were held among professionals, practitioners, academics, and students in commemoration of the International Day for Universal Access to Information.

The International Translation Day

29 Sep, Round Table

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's French Language Department organised in collaboration with "Kalima project", Abu Dhabi Arabic Language Center the event, During the panel discussion, the panelists emphasised the

importance of translation as a communication tool between cultures.

Abu Dhabi Stochastics

5 Oct, Seminar

The Abu Dhabi Stochastics Seminar is a collaboration between Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi and New York University and brings together researchers in a wide range of topics in pure and applied probability as well as Mathematical physics and related areas (e.g. Statistics and Machine learning).

Artificial Intelligence, Records and Archives

20 Oct, Seminar

The second session of the seminar series in Records Management & Archival Sciences, titled "Artificial Intelligence, Records and Archives", explored the interrelatedness of records, archives and AI, as well as the potential for synergies between the two disciplines.



– Research News & Events

Compliance frameworks in sports organisations

24 Oct, Conference

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi held the third session of the seminar series in Records Management & Archival Sciences titled “International Audio-Visual Heritage Day”, where the audience had the opportunity to learn about the nature of audio-visual collection preserved at the National Archives.

Truth Commissions: Issues of Access and Ownership

24-25 Oct, Conference

The conference brought together expert scholars, policymakers, and civil society stakeholders to examine access to and ownership of Truth Commissions’ (TCs) documentation the conference was organised by Associate Professor, Proscovia Svard, Sorbonne University together with a group of professors from international organisations and universities.

Religious Diplomacy: International Challenges and Opportunities

26 Oct, Conference

The Religious Diplomacy: International Challenges and Opportunities Conference, was organised by Dr Maïa-Oumeïma Hamrouni, Assistant Professor of Law Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi in collaboration with the Anwar Gargash Diplomatic Academy.

International Audio-Visual Heritage Day

27 Oct, Seminar

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi held a sports conference titled “Benchmark, Analysis and Financial Trend of European Football Clubs”. The conference discussed the components of a modern sports compliance framework and the basics of risk management.

Preislamic Oman: a History to Write (French)

31 Oct, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi- CEFREPA Diwan

Data Governance for Artificial Intelligence Purposes: Comparative Perspective UAE/ GDPR

10 Nov, Conference

The conference offered a comparative analysis of the regulatory frameworks in order to highlight the points of convergence and dissimilarity between the new data protection regulation adopted in the UAE and the standard framework constituted by the European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).



– Research News & Events

“Benchmark, Analysis and Financial Trend of European Football Clubs”

10 Nov, Conference

The sports conference titled “Benchmark, Analysis and Financial Trend of European Football Clubs” highlighted the macroeconomic trends and impacts on football clubs’ business models in European countries.

“Artificial Intelligence & Health Records”

28 Nov, Webinar

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi organised the fourth session of the seminar series in Records Management & Archival Sciences titled “Artificial Intelligence & Health Records”, the event discussed the application of artificial



Les Entretiens d’ Abu Dhabi

14 Nov,

Under the patronage of HE Dr Thani bin Ahmed Al Zeyoudi UAE Minister of State for Foreign Trade, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi hosted the 3rd edition of Les Entretiens d’Abu Dhabi “UAE: towards a hub of talents”, organised by CCI France UAE and the French Embassy in collaboration with les Entretiens de Royaumont.

Issues of Qur’anic Studies at Al-Zaytuna University in Tunis in the Last Decade

22 Nov, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi- CEFREPA Diwan

The webinar titled “Issues of Qur’anic studies at Al-Zaytuna University in Tunis in the last decade” discussed the methods and contents of Qu’ranic studies at Al-Zaytuna University in Tunis.

intelligence to health records.

Abu Dhabi Stochastics Day

7 Dec, Workshop

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi and NYU Abu Dhabi launched Abu Dhabi Stochastics Day, a one-day workshop to be held at the end of each semester. The first edition of this workshop was held at Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi Campus, and several numbers of interesting interactions took place between the participants.



Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi – News & Updates



Dr Laurence Renault presents Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi at the Polish Pavilion at Expo 2020

21 February

On the occasion of the Polish Science Week, Dr Laurence Renault Deputy Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi, gave a presentation about the university at Expo 2020 Polish Pavilion for attendees including the Polish National Agency for Academic exchange (NAWA) and representatives of various Polish universities.

Total Energies President and Delegation's Visit to SCAI

14 February

Prof Silvia Serrano, Vice-Chancellor Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi, welcomed to campus Mr Elias Kassis, President TotalEnergies EP UAE & Total Energies Country Chair in the UAE, who visited Sorbonne Centre for Artificial Intelligence (SCAI) along with a delegation from TotalEnergies.

Abdallah al-Tariqi and the history of the Arab oil globalisation

24 January

Dr Valerie Le Guyon Head of Science & Engineering Department Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi, received a certificate of recognition as a CAA Certified Reviewer in a ceremony that was held at the University of Sharjah.

Unpuzzling Math

24-26 February

The event was organised by Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Science and Engineering Department in collaboration with Luxembourg Pavilion at Expo 2020, the Department of Mathematics at University of Luxembourg and the National Research Fund of Luxembourg.

— Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi — News & Updates

Visit of French senators and delegates from the French Embassy to campus

3 March

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi management team welcomed a group of French senators and delegates from the French Embassy during their visit to the university campus.

Visit of the Palestinian Business Council

3 March

A delegation from the Palestinian Business Council visited campus and were welcomed by Prof Silvia Serrano, Vice-Chancellor Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi and Mr Husain Alfardan, Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor Administrative Affairs.

A visit of delegates from McGill University

7 March

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's management team welcomed to campus Dr Christopher Manfredi, Provost and Vice-Principal McGill University, and Mr Brian Bauer, the Director of International Engagement McGill University.

Universal Dictation

7 March

Sorbonne's famous Universal Dictation was organised for the first time in Abu Dhabi by Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's French Studies Department in collaboration with the Lycée Louis Massignon school and the Dictée de la Sorbonne (DAC, UFR de langue française & SIAL de Sorbonne Université).

Executive Networking Event at Expo 2020

17 March

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi hosted an Executive Networking Event at The French Pavilion in Expo 2020 Dubai that was attended by representatives of various public and private institutions.

A healthy workplace workshop

23 March

Employees were invited to join a workshop about the importance of a balanced diet and exercise. They discussed work-life balance, eating wisely at the workplace and eating during Ramadan.



— Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi — News & Updates

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi and Abu Dhabi Global Market Courts Collaborate to Further Legal Services in Abu Dhabi

28 April

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Abu Dhabi Global Market Courts (ADGM Courts) to jointly establish a bespoke Legal Clinic Programme for Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Department of Law.

DANSONS À QUATRE MAINS

11 May

The piano concert featured the renowned pianists Galina Besner and Marie Sontag. The concert was attended by more than one hundred visitors as well as the university's students and employees.

Sheikh Zayed Book Award Winners

26 May

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi hosted on campus the winners of Sheikh Zayed Book Award, one of the Arab world's most prestigious and well-funded prizes. The event aimed to promote the role of literature in the region and enabled students to meet the winners and learn from their experience.

The university celebrates the kick-off a promising collaboration with Abu Dhabi Media

26 May

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi collaborates with Abu Dhabi Media to provide high-level

internship opportunities for its students in the field of media.

Alia Lootah, a Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi alumna, was awarded the insignia of Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters

31 May

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi Congratulated Alia Lootah, History of Art and Museum Studies Alumna, who was officially awarded with the insignia of Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters by the French Ambassador to the UAE.

HE Zaki Anwar Nusseibeh being elected as Associate Foreign Member of L'Académie des sciences morales et politiques

3 June

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi congratulated HE Zaki Anwar Nusseibeh, chairman of the university's board of trustees and cultural adviser of the president of the UAE, for becoming a foreign associate member of the Academy of Moral and Political Sciences.



— Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi News & Updates

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi signs an MOU with CCI-France UAE 22 June

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi signed an MOU with CCI France UAE in organizing “Les Entretiens of Abu Dhabi” at a ceremony that took place at the university’s campus.

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi held Health & Safety Induction Training for new employees 8 September

The training ensures the staff’s safety and maintains their health and well-being.

Talk: What history tells us about our societies with renowned historians Prof Denis and Prof Elisabeth Crouzet 24 October

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi organised a panel discussion titled “What history tells us about our societies”, which was held on the occasion of the donation of more than 1700 books to Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi’s Library by renowned historians Professor Denis Crouzet, Professor of Modern History and Elisabeth Crouzet-Pavan, professor of Medieval History.

Creative Career Days 23-24 October

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi’s students participated in Creative Careers Days hosted by Jameel Arts Centre, the students had the



opportunity to meet and discuss (art) ideas with key artists and industry experts and attended several informative workshops and Inspirational talks.

Dior’s GM on stage event 27 October

The university held the event at the career center in collaboration with Dior Middle East, hosting Pierre de Maigret, General Manager of Dior Middle East who shared with students the story of his fascinating career path. During the event, students learned about internship and employment opportunities at the Fashion House.

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Flag Day 2022

3 November

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi management, students, faculty, and administrative staff members celebrated the UAE Flag Day.

Visit of HE Reem Al Hashimy

7 November

Prof Silvia Serrano, Vice Chancellor of Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi welcomed to campus Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's new Chair of the Board of Trustees, Her Excellency Reem bint Ebrahim Al Hashimy, UAE Minister of State for International Cooperation.

Celebration of the 10-year anniversary Astrolabe Career Fair

8 November

To mark the Astrolabe Career Fair's 10-year anniversary, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Career Center held an exceptional second edition of its flagship internship and employment event this year.

French Teachers' Day

24 November

On the occasion of French Teacher's Day, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Foreign Language Department organised the "Digital Innovation Pedagogy". The event was in collaboration with the French Embassy, Institut français in the UAE and Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie.

Sorbonne Abu Dhabi University launched "Certificate in UAE Law"

1 December

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi launched a new programme titled "Certificate in UAE Law" within the Continuing & Executive Education Department (CEED), as part of the university's keenness to provide specialised programmes that enable and develop the skills of students and enhance their professional prospects.



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– Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi & Updates



Honouring Ceremony - National Library and Archives celebration of the first cohort of the Bachelor in Records Management and Archival Science Programme

7 December

The university in collaboration with the National Library and Archives celebrated the first Cohort of the Bachelor in Records Management and Archival Science Programme.

Climbing Hard in Arabia with Read Macadam

6-7 December

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Climbing and Hiking Club organised a two days conference where Read Macadam a professional life coach shared some lesser-known stories of his quest for the First Ascents and about his development work.

Annual Employees Retreat

8 December

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi organised a 1-Day Team Building event full of competitive, collaborative, engaging and fun activities for its management, faculty, and employees. The event was held at RIXOS Marina Hotel Abu Dhabi under the theme "Soccer".

Go Green 2023" initiative launch

13 December

The initiative organised by the University's Department of Geography and Planning focuses on three key themes including carbon footprint reduction, sustainable development activities and the launch of collaborative environmental research.

Year-End Gathering

8 December

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Career Centre organised a Year-End gathering in light of the festive season.

– Graduation Ceremonies



22 March 2022

The graduation of the seventh cohort of the Professional Certificate in Archives and Records Management

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi and The National Library and Archives celebrated the seventh graduation ceremony for the Professional Certificate in Archives and Records Management on campus. The graduates work across various governmental institutions and ministries such as the UAE Ministry of Defence, Abu Dhabi Executive Office, Nawah Company, Fujairah Municipality, and the National Library and Archives in UAE.



1 November 2022

The graduation of the eighth cohort of the Professional Certificate in Archives and Records Management

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi and The National Library and Archives celebrated the graduation of the eighth cohort of students from the Professional Certificate in Archives and Records Management held at Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's campus.

– Graduation Ceremonies



22 March 2022

13th Graduation Ceremony

A magnificent ceremony was held in the presence of HE Reem bint Ebrahim Al Hashimy, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Chair of the Board of Trustees, and UAE's Minister of State for International Cooperation, and Professor Nathalie Drach-Temam President of Sorbonne University and Vice-Chair of Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Board of Trustees.

With Emirati graduates representing 54% of the class of 2022, the 13th cohort included 233 graduates comprised of 145 bachelor's, 73 master's, and 15 Executive Diploma graduates. This ceremony also marked the graduation of the first cohort of Bachelor in Records Management and Archival Science students with 35 graduates.

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Student Recruitment Events

14-15 Jan, Salon des formations post bac 2022 de Dakar

22-23 Feb, Virtual Open Days for Postgraduate and Undergraduate Programmes

1-3 March, Saudi International Education and Training Exhibition 19-20 March, Online Begin Group Tour Eurasia (Russia)

24-27 March, Forum de l'étudiant Marocain

25 March, Journée des carrières, Lycée Louis Massignon

26-27 March, Salon Etudier en France

Webinars and student recruitment exhibitions:

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8-11 May, International Conference & Exhibition for Education - KSA

25-26 May, UAE Education Interface & Middle East Youth Conference 2022

31 May, Executive Diploma in Sports Management Webinar

7 June, Master in Applied Foreign Languages: Speciality Management and International Business Webinar

8 June, Master in Health Economics Webinar

13 June, Master in Records Management and Archival Studies Webinar

14 June, Master in International Business Law Webinar

15 June, Abu Dhabi City Municipality Training and Talents Acquisition Forum

15 June, Master in Environmental Sustainability Law and Policies Webinar

16 June, Master in Applied Sociological Research Webinar



– Student Recruitment Events

16 June, Master in Environment: Dynamics of Territories and Societies Webinar 20 June,
Bachelor in History Webinar

20 June, Master in History of Art and Museum Studies Webinar

20 June, Bachelor in History of Art and Archaeology Webinar

21 June, Master in Teaching French as a Foreign Language Webinar

22 June, Bachelor in Geography and Planning Webinar

15 September, Grand café de rentrée by Abu Dhabi Accueil

24-25 September, Begin Education Fair in Kazakhstan

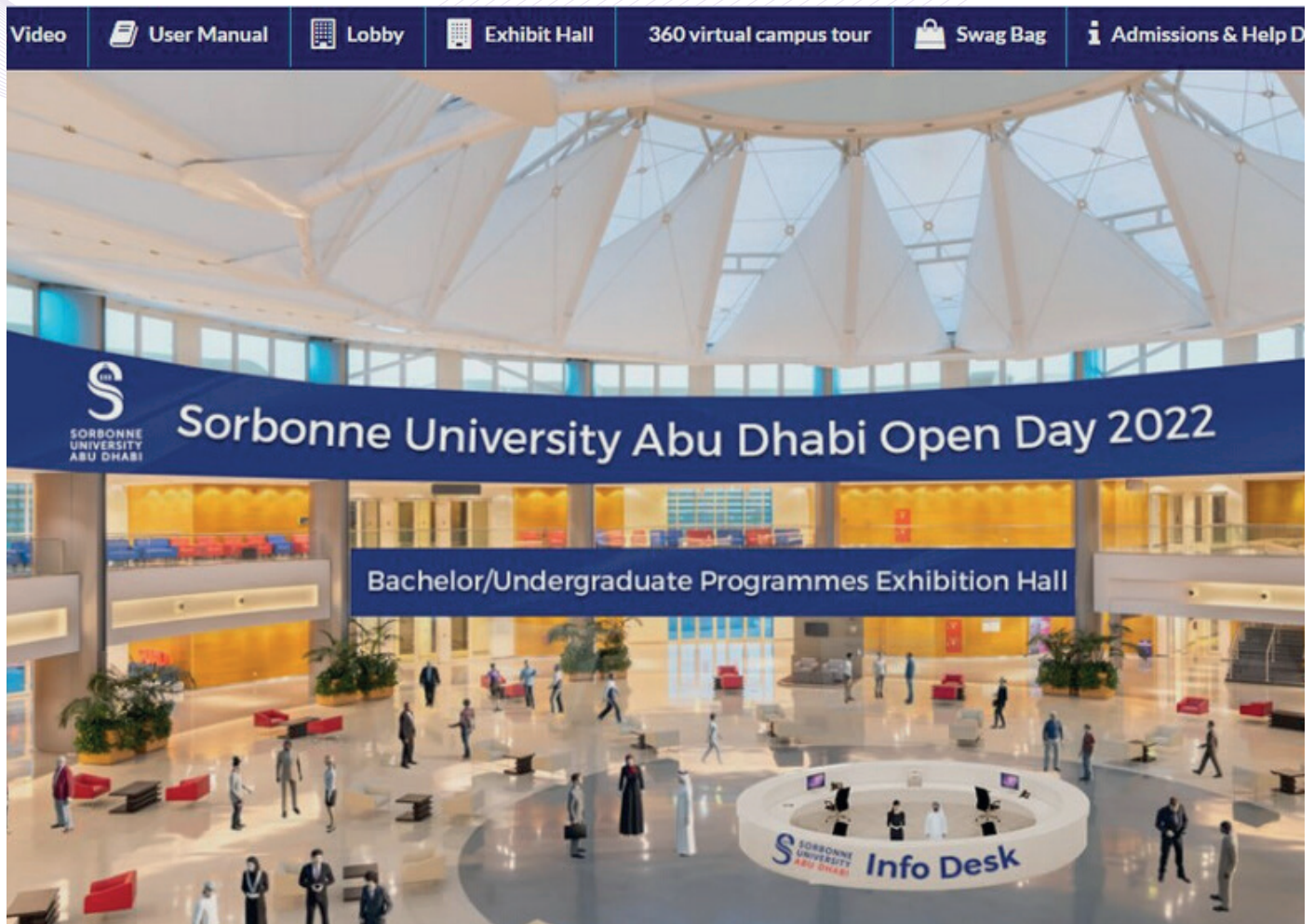
28-29 September, Exhibition of Specialities

4-5 October, GCC Exhibition for Training & Education

16-18 October, Najah Exhibition Abu Dhabi

19-22 October, Sharjah Expo

23-25 October, Najah Exhibition Dubai



– Cultural and Students Events

Art Exhibition: The Year of the 50th

10 February

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi, in collaboration with La PAROLE Art Gallery, hosted The Year of the 50th Art Exhibition curated by artist Claude Habib. The exhibition showcased creations from students and members of the community.

A fascinating concert by the artist Tosca

14 February

In collaboration with the Embassy of Italy in Abu Dhabi and the Italian Cultural Institute, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi hosted on campus a concert titled "Morabeza" featuring the renowned Italian artist Tiziana Tosca.

Korean New Year Celebrations

16 February

In collaboration with the Embassy of the Republic of Korea and the Korean Cultural Centre, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi celebrated the Korean New Year on campus through hosting various cultural activities.

The International Day Celebrations

22 March

The international day celebration took place on campus and featured authentic performances from different countries all over the world, vibrant activities, and authentic food.



Theatre Play – A dark comedy and hybrid show

24 March

A dark comedy show performed by Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi students. The play is an adaption of that of the award-winning writer Wajdi Mouawad.

Internship for students enrolled in the Bachelor in History of Art and Archaeology

March

The department of Archaeology and History of Art at Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi organized an internship for students enrolled in the Bachelor in History of Art and Archaeology in partnership with Dubai Desert Conservation Reserve (DDCR), the first and largest protected wildlife conservation area in the UAE.

– Cultural and Students Events

Cooking Competition

29 March

Students showcased their cooking talents in a cooking competition that took place on campus.

On-campus Iftar

6 April

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi students enjoyed an on-campus iftar gathering at the residences.

Jewellery Design Workshop

13 April

Students learnt about new and various techniques of making jewellery during the Jewellery Design Workshop held at Abu Dhabi's Cultural Foundation.

Calligraphy Workshop

18 April

Students participated in a Calligraphy Workshop that was organised by Abu Dhabi's Cultural Foundation and delivered by the Emirati calligrapher and artist Mohammed Mandi, where he explained and presented different Arabic calligraphic styles.

Sustainability Day Initiative

21 April

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's students engaged in sustainability day initiative that was organised by Student events and culture section. The purpose of this event was to raise awareness among Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's community and promote sustainable living.

Student Recognition Award Ceremony

16 June

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi celebrated the achievements and contribution of 58 outstanding university students during a ceremony held on campus. Students received a certificate based on their achievements.

ADIA Summer School 2022

4-7 July

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi Bachelor's degree student realized an internship at the UN

31 August

Our bachelor's in law student Khamis Abdulla Al Mazrouei, have completed a two-month internship at the UAE Permanent mission to the United Nations in New York.



– Cultural and Students Events



Undergraduate Orientation Event **29 August – 2 September**

The undergraduate Orientation event aimed at ensuring a smooth and successful transition from school to the university life by introducing new students to the various facilities and services provided by the university.

Postgraduate Orientation Event **1 September**

The Postgraduate Orientation event welcomed a number of new students who were able to meet with the academics, and alumni and get acquainted with university facilities.

Awareness Session - The Dangers of Drugs and Alcohol

12 September

The awareness lecture was delivered by Major Yousef Al Hammadi, Abu Dhabi Police, and presented in English by Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's student Maitha Almheiri.

Healthy Living Tips

13 September

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's students learnt about the art of living a healthy lifestyle and the habits that improve their health.

Arts Day

15 September

Students got to showcase their artistic talents during the day, shared experiences and enjoyed the various art activities.

Welcome dinner for the resident students

20 September

The student housing organised the "Social Butterflies event" where the residents gathered over dinner and enjoyed different icebreaking games and activities.

– Cultural and Students Events

Korean Traditional Paintings by Promising Painters Exhibition

21 September – 28 October

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi hosted the “Korean Traditional Paintings by Promising Painters Exhibition” one of the initiatives by the Korean Cultural Centre (KCC) to promote cultural exchange between Korea and the UAE. It was co-organised by the Korean Cultural Centre (KCC) in the UAE and the Korea National University of Cultural Heritage.

Cooking workshop

25 September

A cooking workshop was held for the resident students to teach them the basic cooking techniques in the kitchen.

Students Club Exhibition

26 September

The club’s exhibition introduced new students to the various clubs available at the university and allowed them the opportunity to join the club of their interest on the day.

Emotional Intelligence Workshop

27 September

The online awareness session by GDS Knowledge Consultants and Global Leadership Partners covered two main aspects of Emotional Intelligence (Leadership Emotional Intelligence and Self-Management).

Welcome Gathering Party

29 September

Managing Mental Health Workshop

10 October

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi organised a workshop, in the spirit of world mental health day. During the workshop, the counsellor shared effective tips on “how to manage your mental health” on a daily basis.

Connect with K-Arts Dance

27 October

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi in collaboration with the Embassy of the Republic of Korea and the Korean Cultural Centre, hosted “Connect with K-Arts Dance” performance presented by students from the Korea National University of Arts.



– Cultural and Students Events

Challenge Games with Zayed University event

4 November

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi residence's team welcomed to campus Zayed University students in a Challenge Games, where residents from both universities participated in several outdoor games and gathered over dinner.

How to take notes Workshop

9 November

This workshop was conducted by Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's L2-Law senior students who shared their experiences to improve students' writing skills.

Self-Awareness and awareness of others & Self-Management Workshop

14 November

The workshop was delivered by GDS Knowledge Consultants and covered two main aspects of Emotional Intelligence (Emotional Intelligence and I: Self-Awareness and Emotional Intelligence and others: Awareness of others).

FLE exam preparation Workshop

24 November

The workshop was in collaboration with Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Wellbeing and FLE Department.

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi 51st UAE National Day Celebration

29 November

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi celebrated the 51st UAE National Day. The university's management along with the students, faculty and employees attended this event.

Methodology for Geography Workshop

30 November

The workshop aims to improve student skills in writing a dissertation and document commentary, to prepare them for the final exam.

Nutrition Counselling with Takalam Programme

30 November

The workshop discussed topics that include stress impact on the body, emotional hunger vs physical hunger, stress-compounding foods, and practical ideas to win at healthy eating.

Alumni Winter Reunion

6 December

The event took place in the presence of the Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi. This festive networking evening allowed alumni to reconnect with their colleagues, respective Heads of Academic Departments and Faculty members.

– Sports Events

Outdoor Fitness Challenge

1 March

Staff and students have enjoyed various activities during the outdoor fitness challenge that was organised by the Sports Department on campus.

Kayak Option Academic Class

17 September

The course prepared the students to safely progress to seawater and covers theoretical knowledge and practical application of flat and sea water kayaking skills.

Sea Adventure Weekend

1-2 October

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Sports Department organised a Sea Adventure Weekend. Students enjoyed different water activities including kayaking, stand-up paddle boarding, and beach volleyball. Students helped clean the beach gathering 20 bags of trash.

Halloween Fitness Challenge 2022

2 November

An event was organised by Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Sports Department in the university's atrium. During the event, students enjoyed and participated in several activities and challenges.

Desert Adventure Weekend

5-6 November

The students discovered the natural beauty of the UAE desert and enjoyed the desert crossing and many other activities such as camping, barbecuing and night under the stars.

Ski Conference and Cheese tasting

17 November



– Sports Events

Mountain Adventure Weekend

5-6 November

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's sports department organised a mountain trip, where students enjoyed rock climbing and a mountain hike, and many other activities.

Climbing Hard in Arabia with Read Macadam

6-7 December

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's Climbing and Hiking Club organised a two-day conference where Read Macadam a professional life coach shared some lesser-known stories of his quest for the First Ascents and about his development work.



SORBONNE UNIVERSITY ABU DHABI THROUGH THE EYES OF STUDENTS



MARIAM ALJNEIBI

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT OF
GEOGRAPHY AND URBAN PLANNING

– Mariam Aljneibi

About

Mariam Aljneibi is an undergraduate student studying Bachelor's in Geography and Urban Planning at Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi. She is fluent in Arabic, English, and French. Chosen to be the president of the Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's student council and a member of the green year task force 2023. On campus, she oversees all student events and concerns. Her objective is to make students have a memorable university life, and Mariam currently serves as a future sustainability leader in Masdar's Youth.

4 Sustainability Future Leaders Programme is an initiative which includes a wide range of mentorships, engagement opportunities, and instructional programmes for future leaders and young professionals, and was driven by the need to develop a talent pipeline for the world's sustainability leaders.

When she's alone, she mostly paints in the style of Edward Munch, whose use of emotion and symbolism corresponds to her interest in human concerns. Individual talents are the sole basis for these activity sets.

She is also a part of Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's futsal team; she's also known as the female goalkeeper of the university's football team. However, within the scope of her hobbies, she is still able to interact with or reach out to diverse audiences, engaging them on environmental topics to broaden the scope of advocacy and find new ideas on climate change mitigation and resilience strategies. The intersection of leadership, policy, and environmental sustainability, with a particular emphasis on governance solutions for sustainable hydrology and food security in the context of climate change, is what she is most passionate about. Her objective is to investigate the evidence for policy application in developing resilient environmental workforces for climate change readiness, response, and mitigation.



— Mariam Aljneibi

Tell us more about your major and why did you choose this programme?

I study geography and urban planning and at first, I was not even considering going for geography because I saw that there were a lot of politic-orientated courses that were being offered and I genuinely didn't think I would've enjoyed it. I feel like studying geography has given me a better understanding of the significance of the environment through different experiences, when I was able to participate in many research studies; one of which was the DDCR (Dubai Desert conservation reserve) this was a project that focused on monitoring the balanced ecosystem and maintains a natural environment rather than to try to repair one.

During our research, we found out that the current ranges of plant and animal species, as well as the established boundaries of protected areas, will shift due to global climate change. We found ways to investigate and recommend to Dubai Municipality alternatives to connect protected areas through ecological corridors.

I also participated in a research based on agriculture food security where we explored various methods such as irrigation to reduce water use and finding other means to plant rice, which is exceedingly difficult to farm in the UAE due to the high quantity of water required, which evaporates fast in the desert. I'm grateful for the opportunities I've been offered through my programme; I was able to enjoy politics as it is a huge political factor

As president of the student council, what motivated you to take the position, and what is your vision?

I was elected to be the president of the student council by my peers in the Student Council, I think what motivated me and enabled me to take on such a huge role was my desire to overachieve and think outside the box by making the impossible possible. My vision is to mainly have a closer connection with the students, understand what their needs as students are and how we can make university life more fun and home-like. I believe that our students should look to the university as home somewhere they are comfortable.

Can you give us a brief about your role in the "Go Green 2023" committee and its main objectives?

My role in the "Go Green 2023" committee stems from both being driven by sustainability and the voice of the student body. Our main objective is to hopefully make Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi a zero-emission campus but before that to make the students understand why we need to go green before taking action.

The youth are the leaders of tomorrow, they must understand why an activity is necessary as well as how to carry it out.

— Mariam Aljneibi

They are frequently cautious to try something new. Sustainability should be familiarised; we need to establish student sustainability participation that includes both their academic and social life. I believe that the youth overcomplicate the concept of sustainability because they regard it as a chore rather than a way of life. Being on the Go Green 2023 committee I believe; we must engage the youths in matters that are important to them. They must feel involved and have the opportunity to contribute their thoughts. Participation fosters good attitudes and in many cases innovative ideas.

By having the student council and student ambassadors by my side, my role is to ensure a fully successful and useful event where we will help teach the students and the public about the go green community and how it's useful for everyone. When the student council and student ambassadors are put together, we are always marked for the best and never fail.

How can the student council support and contributes to the go green initiative?

The student council is a hub for ideas, this year we launched a student ambassador programme where students are empowered to develop their skills in various sectors, and we try to change the student mindset and make them think more sustainably by trying to incorporate small sustainable tasks in our events. The student council is the link between the university and its students. We also have various green-oriented events

such as; the opening ceremony for the green year, the Earth Hour Campaign, the Sorbonne TEDx which will be mainly focused on environmental topics, Sustainability Day, and Ocean Day.

What do you wish to achieve as part of the go green committee?

I would like to change the mindset of students as it's the core of all the solutions. With the help of the environmental health club, the SSA programme, and the student council representatives, I believe that it will be easier to spread awareness. I am planning to collaborate with various entities to open a programme that helps the students become certified sustainable officers and that way become the campus sustainability officers. With the help of these representatives, I aim to learn how to decrease the universities carbon footprint, with hopes of helping the students attain the leadership skills as well as the problem-solving skills that would allow us to work towards the goal of having a healthier and more sustainable world.

A MINUTE WITH



**KHAMIS ABDULLA
AL MAZROUEI**

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT OF LAW

A MINUTE WITH

— Khamis Abdulla Al Mazrouei

About

Khamis Abdulla Al Mazrouei is a student at Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi pursuing a bachelor's degree in law. Sponsored by the Ministry of Presidential Court in their Scholarship for Topperforming Emirati Students, He completed a two-month internship at the Permanent Mission of the UAE to the UN - New York. Al Mazrouei has a strong background in diplomacy with expertise in politics and international relations.



— Khamis Abdulla Al Mazrouei

Tell us more about your internship at the UAE Permanent mission to the United Nations in New York, and how did you know about this internship?

My internship at the Mission in New York was my first work experience and exposed me to diplomacy in its many forms. I worked on topics that I would usually only see on news channels. Moreover, I learned how to be independent and developed my legal skills as I worked alongside the legal department, applying the knowledge obtained at the university.

Being an active follower of news regarding the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, I came across an Instagram post on the official UAE Mission to New York account of a group of interns and contacted the Ministry of Foreign affairs to apply.

How would you describe your internship experience?

During my time in New York, I was exposed to multiple diplomats from many nationalities. I learned the importance of being elected as a non-permanent member of the Security Council as well as the election procedure. I had the opportunity to experience the realworld demands of soon-to-be fresh graduates as well as work with highly skilled UAE diplomats. I challenged myself intellectually as I needed to adapt and familiarise myself with my new environment. An environment that allowed me to connect with high-level officials from across the world.

What were your responsibilities, and what projects you worked on?

I was responsible for helping to analyse legal documents and attend and prepare summaries for meetings held at the Security Council chamber.

What challenges did you face during your two-month internship?

During my internship, I learned to work under pressure and deliver the highest quality of work as I attended multiple Security Council meetings in a day that started in the morning and would end during the evening. I had to finish multiple tasks on a tight schedule and learned how to negotiate with other parties. In addition, I needed to always be informed about ongoing situations and conflicts around the world.

How Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi played a role in your career development?

At the Mission, I was one of the only multilingual speakers among ten interns, which naturally made me stand out. Being a student at Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi means being equipped with a unique set of skills and abilities that prepare you for any challenge ahead in life. During my internship, my ability to speak French has supported my internship, especially with African countries. Furthermore, I encourage everyone to take similar internship opportunities before graduating as the knowledge and experience gained are beneficial and will add value to your career development.

FACE TO FACE

HE REEM AL HASHIMY

UAE MINISTER OF STATE FOR INTERNATIONAL
COOPERATION
AND CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SORBONNE UNIVERSITY ABU DHABI



Tell us about yourself, your hobbies and why did you choose to study International Relations and French?

Time immemorial, the United Arab Emirates has been a place of cultural convergence, bringing people and their trade to and through our shores. As an Emirati, I have grown in that international context where a thirst for learning about other cultures and people has been engrained. To be able to converse in other's language is also a way of learning how they think, what they believe and to understand them better. International Relations and French was therefore a natural fit for a curious mind, and for a career in continuing to build from our past, into our future.

You're an inspiration to many women, tell us what inspires HE Reem Al Hashimy?

I, like many of us in the UAE, draw inspiration from the resolution and drive of our wise leadership. My personal and professional role models foremost include the mother of our nation Her Highness Sheikha Fatima who has made a compelling impact on women locally and internationally with her generosity, grace and pioneering work across various fields.

Since the days of the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan, our leadership has harnessed all potential resources to ensure the well-being of our people. In the words of Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum, UAE Vice President, Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai: "the word

impossible does not exist in the dictionary of UAE's leadership and its people." They continue to inspire tireless ambition within us, a forward thinking attitude that is rooted in knowledge, and a strong conviction that everything is within the realm of possibility.

In your view, how does the education sector contribute to the UAE's global competitiveness?

Education is a central pillar of the development of societies, especially quality education that is inclusive and equitable. The educational sector is a key strategic priority for His Highness the President, Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan. The UAE's leadership continues to focus attention on education giving prominence to fulfilling the potential of human capital. Our leadership has a modern vision for development, centered around focusing the onus of development on improving the standard of living. The UAE has surpassed all expectations to establish itself as a pioneer, capable of competing on the global arena. Thus, it is of utmost importance to create a generation that is aware and empowered with the knowledge and skills necessary to support the national economy and meet the country's aspirations.

Similarly, education plays a pivotal role in building a knowledge economy. It is essential to encourage the collaboration of efforts of various institutions which must be established through building an innovative educational apparatus for a productive knowledge culture.

FACE TO FACE

As the University's new chair of the board of trustees, what are your aspirations for Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi?

Under the patronage of His Highness the President, Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, this university has always prioritized outstanding higher education through an individualized approach to learning, lateral, creative and critical thinking, enabled by world-class facilities and founded on more than seven centuries of academic excellence and achievement.

In the coming years, I look forward to working with the management team of the Sorbonne University to achieve some main objectives, which I can summarize in several points: attracting more talented students to the University, achieving an advanced academic position for the University at the level of other universities in the country and the region, and strengthening the scientific research department in line with the mission of the University. Sorbonne University, with its academic excellence and its globally recognized position within the institution of Francophone education, is an exceptional model for education and knowledge development within the framework of the national context of the UAE. In addition to that, we will work to provide a creative environment to empower students, in line with the vision of the UAE for the centenary of the country in 2071. Finally, I hope that the graduates of Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi achieve their dreams and aspirations, and contribute to the progress of this country and the world.

To what extent has international cooperation opened new horizons in the education sector in the UAE?

International cooperation in education provides the UAE's educational sector with global characteristics and a greater competitive ability. Today, international cooperation in education is no longer sought by some universities; rather, it has become anecessity that all countries must move towards, to reap the benefits of people-to-people connections and cultural exchange, scientific and research development, as well as increasing opportunities for local students and faculty members to participate in collaborative teachings and international research projects. All of these exchanges should lead to multi-faceted learning outcomes, successful integration into the labor market, and a higher degree of cultural tolerance.

Through international cooperation, we can ensure innovation, and the adaptability and agility of our national education system. It is our hope that when national and international students, decide to complete their higher studies in the UAE, they are confident that they will acquire the sufficient experience needed to make them more enthusiastic, proactive, surefooted, and better global citizens who are adaptive to any environment.

STUDENT SUCCESS AND WELLBEING



– Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi Counselling Office

The Student Success and Wellbeing Section-Counselling Office provides guidance and support to students and the campus community to help them with their social or personal matters. Our team of Professional Psychologists and Psychiatrist known as the Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi Counsellors are here to assist each student with developing the skills and confidence needed to function independently.

Now, we offer campus wide and virtual counselling services, to help you anytime and anywhere. Our counselors are available three times a week to make sure that each and every one of you are supported with your needs.

Confidentiality being of the utmost priority, our counsellors will take care of you with professional discretion.

The Counselling Office is aware of the important role of language in counselling or therapy, usually, the language you choose to speak says a lot about your sense of identity. Because Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi welcomes students from different part of the world, the counseling office offers sessions in 3 different languages which are Arabic, English, French.

Students at the Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi can benefit from the support provided by our counsellors in a variety of ways, including but not limited to:

- Helping to overcome personal, social, or other challenges students may face during their time at Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi.
- Support and assistance in managing relationships with family, professors, and peers.
- Improve independence and effectiveness by helping to develop skills and confidence
- Assist in encouraging and improving learning

Give your mind a bit of peace and know that we are here for you always, anytime and in every way, we can support you.

You can get further information by contacting the Student Success and Wellbeing Section via email at Success.Wellbeing@sorbonne.ae



Students of Determination Support Programme

This programme is dedicated to students of determination or any student with any of the below challenges which affects their learning journey at Sorbonne.

The Student Success and Wellbeing team are here to facilitate your educational journey with the below types of accommodations, such as:

- Extra time during exams /assessments
- Separate classroom during exams / assessments
- Assist in requesting for a diagnosis report with our counsellors for your diagnosed challenge
- Any other accommodation depending on case and Diagnosis Report recommendations

Who are the students with special needs/ POD?

The students with special needs/POD are students who have special educational needs due to either physical or mental disability in addition to behavioral challenges that cause learning difficulties.

Who does this programme target?

Any student with physical, mental or behavioral challenges can benefit from this programme.

What kind of learning, physical and behavioral challenges do we accommodate?

Learning challenges include but are not limited to ADHD and low processing speed.

Physical disability includes but is not limited to Dyslexia, Epilepsy and writing challenges.

Behavioral challenges include but are not limited to excessive anxiety, depression, borderline personality disorder, emotional, behavioral disorder and bipolar disorder.

What you need to do:

All you need to do as a student of determination/ special needs student is to approach the Success and Wellbeing Team (S&W team) and present a medical report from a HAAD licensed physician that states your condition and what type of accommodation is required. Also, Visit us, In case you are in doubt about your challenge and you need help in getting diagnosed by one of our counsellors.

– Peer Tutoring Programme



Peer Tutoring is a programme where we assign a senior student (Peer tutor) who are highly achieved academic and have gone through the same academic programme and excelled in them as the one that the junior students are enrolled in to assist them with their academic concerns.

The idea of the peer tutoring programme is not to teach a student from beginning but to strengthen their abilities in the course by giving them tricks and tips to excel further and be a constant support system.

The Peer Tutoring Programme can help in:

- Improves academic achievement
- Provides an opportunity for individualized instruction
- Provides opportunities for questions and clarification of the difficult concept.
- Provides additional review and practice of complex material

The sessions are held in multiple ways such as in campus with physical tutoring sessions in the library or an assigned classroom or virtually with online interactive sessions via the Microsoft Teams and more interactive virtual tools with our Senior Peer Tutors

Tutoring sessions are held either in groups or individually based on the students' requirements.

Each Peer tutor is chosen based on their academic excellence and campus life engagement by the S&W team. A student is also assigned to a tutor by the S&W team for quality assurance and non-biasness.

All peer tutors are multilingual, culturally aware, and academically sound to provide a student with the same material that they have gone through and excelled in.

For further information on the Peer tutoring programme contact the Student Success and Wellbeing Section via email at Success.Wellbeing@sorbonne.ae

– Peer Mentoring Programme

The Peer Mentor Programme is now available to help students Virtually and in campus. The Student Success and Wellbeing Section supports first-year students during their transition from high school to university to help them integrate into and succeed in the Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi environment; By providing them with an engaging and supportive community learning experience that supports new students in their social, academic and cultural transition to Sorbonne Abu Dhabi by allocating a senior student from L1-L3 to a junior student.



The Peer Tutoring Programme can help in:

- Refer students to on-campus resources and assist them in succeeding.
- Gain practical advice, encouragement, and support
- Identify goals and establish a sense of direction

Share experiences, address all your concerns, and ease your doubts for a successful university journey.

Peer mentors are a click away! You can reach them by text or request a face-to-face meeting. For further information on the Peer Mentoring programme, contact the Student Success and Wellbeing Section via email at Success.Wellbeing@sorbonne.ae.

Workshops held by Success and wellbeing section

Day	Time	Event	Topics	Collaboration
Monday 12th of September	12:00pm to 2:00pm	Free: Awareness workshop with AD Police	The Dangers of Alcohol and Drug Addiction	AD Police
Tuesday 13th of september	4pm to 5pm	Free:Healthy living tips	Learn about what makes a healthy living	ACPN counselor Asha Dullabh
Wednesday 27th of September	4 pm to 6 pm	Paid:Emotional intelligence webinar	Emotional intelligence	GDS knowledge consultants
Monday 10th of october	6pm	SUAD Counsellors wellbeing workshop	Managing Your Mental Health	SUAD counsellors- Dr. Rami Al Shibani



EXPLORE THE UAE

Khor Fakkan

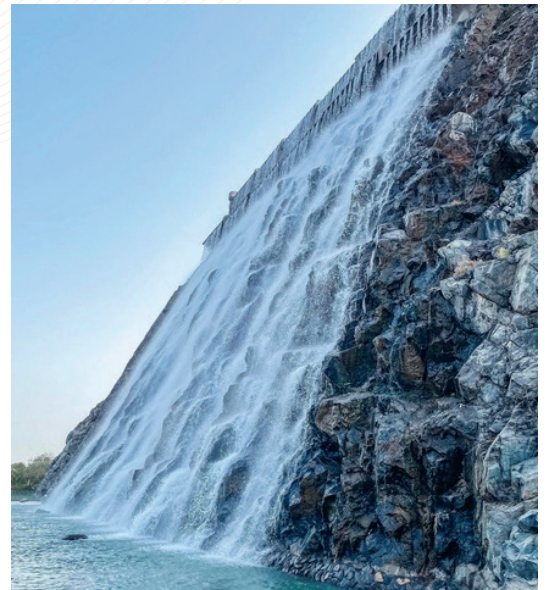
The city of Khor Fakkan is a port town in the Sharjah emirate, United Arab Emirates. Located on the east coast of the Musandam Peninsula, it faces the Gulf of Oman; the port and its hinterland divide Fujairah into two parts, and it is one of the most popular tourist attractions in the area.

HH Sheikh Dr Sultan bin Mohammed Al Qasimi, Member of the Supreme Council of United Arab Emirates and Ruler of Sharjah, instructed in 2011 to restore Khor Fakkan's historic heart, a major task that has been undertaken since then that will make Khor Fakkan a UAE cultural treasure.

Khor Fakkan means 'Creek of the Two Jaws' to reflect its location in a crescent-shaped bay flanked by two headlands. It offers a wide variety of outdoor activities where you can enjoy the beach and marine life as well as the mountains.

This edition gives you the chance to discover the natural beauty of Khor Fakkan:

— Khor Fakkan



Khorfakkan Amphitheatre and Waterfall

Immerse yourself in local culture at the stunning newly built amphitheatre. Inspired by Roman architecture, it quickly became a famous local landmark with over 1700 square meters and a capacity of over 3500 spectators.

Next to the amphitheatre is a spectacular 45m high waterfall. Although it is a synthetic waterfall, it is carved out of natural rock and is lit up at night. From there, visitors can watch the water run down the rocks. Both the amphitheatre and waterfall overlook the shimmering Khor Fakkan Bay, and visitors can stroll along the beach before enjoying a spectacular show.

— Khor Fakkan



Wadi Shees

An incredibly beautiful area nestled between the Hajar mountains on the east coast of UAE. The Valley and the surrounding Hajar Mountain terrain are subsequently an area of natural beauty. It is represented by narrow mountain tracks, rocky outcrops, traditional settlements, farmland and date palm plantations; offers rewarding opportunities for experiencing striking natural scenery, hiking and camping.



Khor Fakkan Beach

It is a truly enriching experience to visit the Khor Fakkan beach, Explore the water with a relaxing swim or with boat and jet ski rentals. Deeper into the water, there are several fishing spots to make a big catch. You can also choose from sailing, scuba diving, or snorkelling near Shark Island, which is just a short boat ride from the beach.

– Khor Fakkan



Al Suhub Rest House

Located 600 meters above sea level, cloud lounge offers panoramic views across Khorfakkan from its highest point in the city.

Al Rabi Tower and Hiking Trail

Al Rabi Tower marks the start and end of a stunning hiking trail overlooking Khor Fakkan and the bay. In 1915, Khor Fakkan constructed the tower as part of a defensive network. The wellmarked trail leads hikers to a summit with panoramic views at 395 meters.

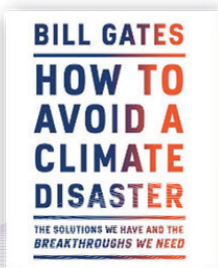


Hisn Museum Khor Fakkan

Hisn Khor Fakkan will explore the history of the western coastal town, as well as the rock carvings that the mountainous area is known for. Several carvings show people hunting or dancing, walking, or riding on horseback, while others depict the animals that would have been common in the region, such as goats and sheep. More recent carvings are inscriptions in Arabic and Kufic script.

OUR BOOKSHELF

How to Avoid a Climate Disaster: The Solutions We Have and the Breakthroughs We Need



Author : Gates, Bill

Publisher : Knopf

Date : 2021

Shelfmark : 363.738 GAT h

Bill Gates with the help of experts in various fields proposes solutions to avoid a climate disaster.

The Spirit of Green: The Economics of Collisions and Contagions in a Crowded World



Author : Nordhaus, William D.

Publisher : Princeton University Press

Date : 2021

Shelfmark : 338.92 NOR s

How to reconcile economic prosperity and environmental protection is the central theme of this book.

Investing in the Era of Climate Change



Author : Usher, Bruce

Publisher : Columbia Business School Publishing

Date : 2022

Shelfmark : 332.6 USH I

Faced with the climate challenge, the author offers investors a complete guide to financing projects that guarantee wealth and environmental protection.

Comprendre le changement climatique: La Physique du Réchauffement Planétaire



Author : Krauss, Lawrence M

Publisher : H O Editions

Date : 2021

Shelfmark : 910.15516 KRA c

A scientific explanation of the causes and effects of climate change using diagrams and graphs.

OUR BOOKSHELF

Paris face au changement climatique : Les clés de l'adaptation climatique



Author : Lirzin, Frank

Publisher : Editions de l'Aube

Date : 2022

Shelfmark : 910.171142 LIR p

Solutions are proposed in this book so that Paris can ensure an acceptable quality of life in the face of climate change.

Les Révoltes du Ciel : une Histoire du Changement Climatique XVe XXe Siècle



Authors : Fressoz, Jean-Baptiste & Locher, Fabien

Publisher : Editions du Seuil

Date : 2020

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The authors trace six centuries of debate on climate change in Western societies.

Textes clés de philosophie du changement climatique : éthique, politique, nature



Authors : Caney, Simon et al

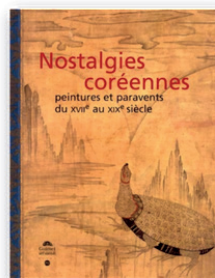
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In the face of the climate challenge, philosophy could not be left behind, so in this book questions about responsibilities between generations, the duty of justice towards the vulnerable, and the actions and choices to be made are addressed.

Nostalgies coréennes : peintures et paravents du XVIIe au XIXe siècle, collection Lee U-fan : [exposition], Paris, Musée Guimet, 16 octobre 2001-14 janvier 2002.



A very beautiful exhibition catalog that extends the one we were able to appreciate recently in the atrium of our university, where Korean young artists have proven that they have been able to

perpetuate traditional art with the greatest respect and creativity.

The proposed book will allow you to judge by comparing the two catalogs, despite the centuries that separate them.

Link to the exhibition "Korean Traditional Paintings by Promising Painters" catalog that took place at La Sorbonne Abu Dhabi in October 2022
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FOXES

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi puts a great emphasis on students' well-being by offering various sports opportunities due to its physical, mental, and social benefits.



Nearly 20 sporting activities are offered through dedicated structures. The university offers students several opportunities for discovery and development while participating in events and championships with local and regional universities.

Students have the option to choose whether or not to integrate sports as part of their curriculum to earn a qualification (depending on their major and on the activity)

The Sports Department also organises open days for try-outs as well as off campus weekends including desert trips, camping, hiking, outdoor rock-climbing and other activities to enrich our student's lives. It also challenges its staff and students to get involved with the community in fitness challenges, promising loads of fun.

Foxes encourage volunteering for international competitions and attending sports conferences, trainings and workshops.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

SPORT ACTIVITIES AND TRAINING

The practice: we require regular attendance
Information and communication: the list of available sports activities, timings and coach details are available at the main building from Sunday to Wednesday, 10:00 am to 3:00pm in the sports department (room no. 2.031).
Alternatively, email sports@sorbonne.ae

STUDENTS REGISTERED IN OPTIONAL SPORTS

Mandatory: 13 sessions/classes per semester.
3 justified absences are allowed. For more details, please contact the sports department

ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES AND NUMBER OF ECTS:

3 ECTS: View the rules of the university with the Sports Department and with the coordinator of your department.

SPORTS FACILITIES ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- MoE covid rules apply and could be updated at any moment
- Adherence to covid -19 safety protocols is mandatory
- Entry to campus is granted as per campus

entry requirements

- Exempted persons should provide an exemption certificate and present AlHosn application showing a Covid-19 negative PCR test result not more than 7 days
- A valid booking on ExtraClub Platform



Sports Activities

- Climbing
- Bouldering
- Stretching
- Yoga
- Judo
- Muay-thai
- Cardio-boxing
- Multi-martials arts fitness
- Fitness
- Trampo-fitness
- BeFit
- Spinning
- Circuit training
- Volleyball
- Football
- Basketball
- Futsal
- Badminton
- Table tennis
- Tennis
- Chess
- Skiing
- Stand-up paddle boarding

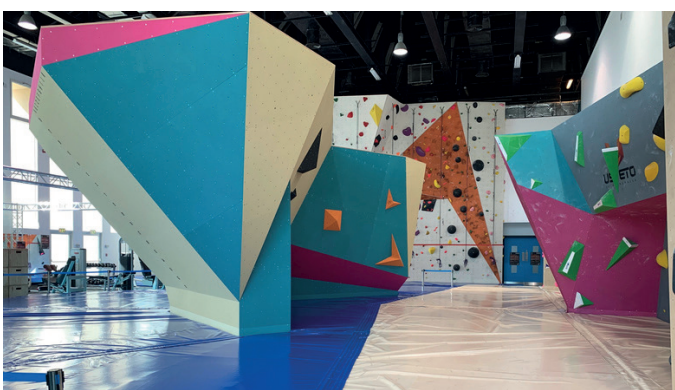


IN ADDITION TO MUCH MORE SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi has been a hub for the development of climbing in Abu Dhabi for 12 years. Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi is playing a significant role in developing climbing in UAE, since Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi's climbing gym is one of the best in the country. A bouldering wall is a perfect solution for beginners, intermediate and advanced climbers

to train; and it is a perfect solution to use available space in the best possible way for climbing.

As an academic department we do offer a Diploma in collaboration with FIFA-CIES and UAEFA in sports management. the future generation of sports manager will developp their skills in regard of the sports industry need.



NOTABLE STUDENT

ALIA LOOTAH

STUDENT OF MASTERS IN ART
HISTORY AND MUSEUM STUDIES



– Alia Lootah

Interview

Can you tell us more about the insignia of Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters you received from the French government?

The Ordre des Arts et des Lettres (Order of Arts and Letters) is an order of France established on 2 May 1957 by the Minister of Culture. Its supplementary status to the Ordre national du Méritewas confirmed by President Charles de Gaulle in 1963. Its purpose is the recognition of significant contributions to the arts, literature, or the propagation of these fields.

Between painting, photography, and curating, which of them you are interested in the most?

I enjoy painting the most because it allows me to create without boundaries, dictation, or preconceived direction. I also enjoy photography and curating immensely but painting places me in a position where I become the sole author of the outcome, and this gives me a liberty that is irreplaceable.



NOTABLE STUDENT

– Alia Lootah

Why did you choose Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi to complete your master's degree?

I chose Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi because, at the time, an MA in History of Arts and Museum Studies was a new programme that is much needed in this region. Despite the fact that I was already informed about the History of Arts, I still felt intrigued by the programme because it was in partnership with Ecole du Louvre where they implemented professional museum studies that allowed me to work in Centre Pompidou for 3 months and meet professionals specialities in museums such as conservators, exhibition designers, registrars, and even art lawyers. Let alone moving to Abu Dhabi which meant I could indulge in the views of the islands.

As an Emirati woman how can you leave an indelible mark in the art world?

By being honest with yourself, reflecting your passion and identity, and presenting what you truly believe in.

In your opinion did education help in your career?

Certainly, it did, we looked at all aspects of art, from production to knowledge of the field, to gain a holistic understanding of the entire system in which visual arts work today.

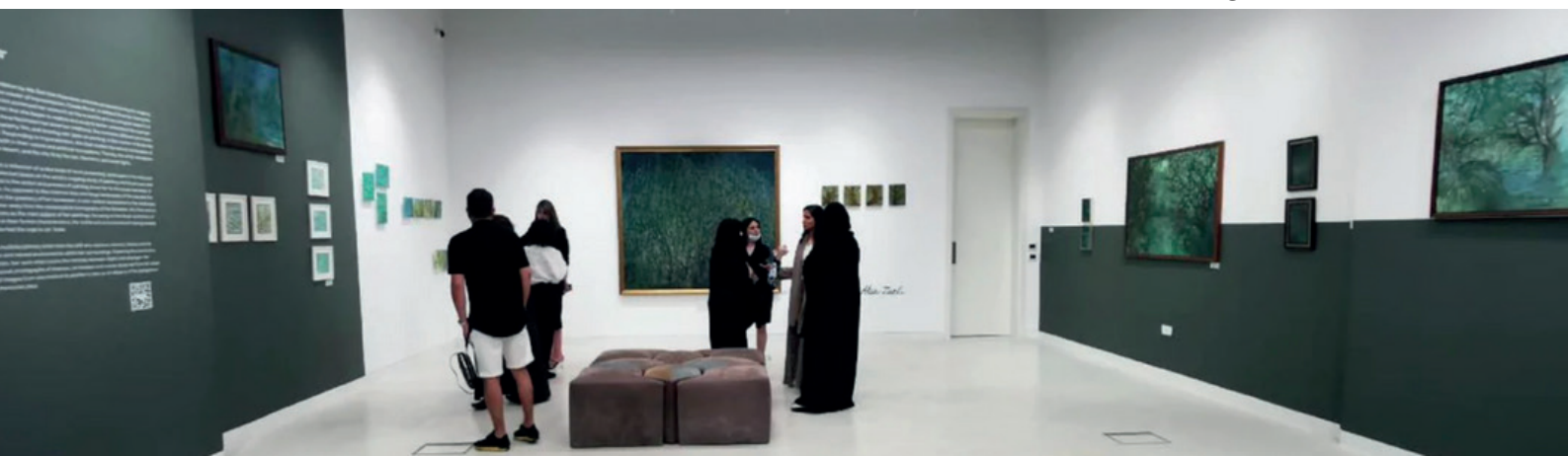
Describe the best piece of art you have created?

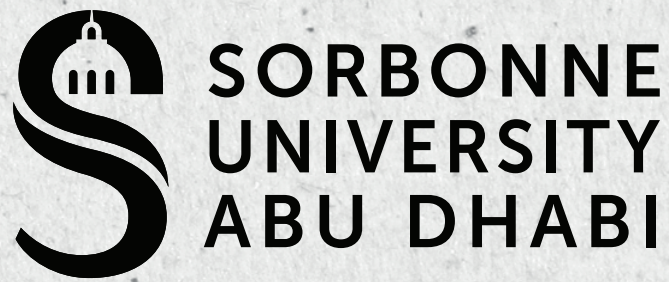
I have several favourites but the series of paintings I created for the Women's Museum in Dubai was special to me because they were very intimate paintings of women from the Photographic archive or Al Arabi magazine dating back to the early 70s of women in girls schools in Dubai. It was like I painted someone else's memory, yet it felt like they were my own because I have heard the stories from my mother and aunts about schools during that time. It was the beginning of Modern education in the UAE.

What is your message to all Emirati talented youth?

My advice to them is to stick to their interests, keep on exploring, conduct endless research and persevere no matter how long it takes. Most importantly, have a mentor and regularly discuss your work with them.

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