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AOU in Oman Hosts Digital Universities Arab World 2025



Under the patronage of H.E. Dr. Khamis bin Saif Al-Jabri, Head of the Oman Vision 2040 Implementation Follow-up Unit, and in the presence of H.E. Prof. Rahma bint Ibrahim Al-Mahrouqi, Minister of Higher Education, Research, and Innovation, H.R.H. Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Arab Open University, and Prof. Mohammad bin Ibrahim Al-Zakari, President of the Arab Open University in the Arab World, the Conference on Digital Universities in the Arab World was launched with the participation of leading experts, academics, and decision-makers. The conference, which concluded its eleven sessions in the Wilayat of Seeb, recommended focusing on AI ethics in education and reimagining the role of universities in adopting agent-based artificial intelligence and digitally supported learning, in addition to leveraging AI technologies in medical education and national research networks.



Exhibition “Prince Talal: A History Read by Generations” Commemorates the Founder’s Legacy with the Participation of the Arab Open University – Headquarters

Prof. Mohammad bin Ibrahim Al-Zakari, President of the Arab Open University, took part in the opening of the exhibition “Prince Talal: A History Read by Generations” held yesterday at the Bibliotheca Alexandrina, in the presence of prominent figures and intellectuals. His participation reaffirmed the pride in the great legacy left by Prince Talal bin Abdulaziz – may God have mercy on him – in the fields of education, development, and humanitarian work, and reflected the University’s role, as founded by him, in highlighting his pioneering contributions that will continue to inspire future generations. The Arab Open University is honored that the “Prince Talal: A History Read by Generations” exhibitions fall under its auspices, as an act of loyalty to its founder and in perpetuation of his memory, efforts, and developmental vision, while the participation of the University’s administration and students in Egypt further demonstrated its commitment to engaging students in cultural and intellectual events and deepening their awareness of the founder’s history and his leading role in serving Arab societies.



Outstanding Participation of an AOU Graduate and Student in the Digital Hackathon – Oman

The Arab Open University in Oman celebrated the participation of graduate Naba Al-Wuhaibiya and student Ghidaa Al-Amri in the Digital Hackathon, which set a Guinness World Record as the longest government hackathon worldwide.



A Visit Shaping the Future of the Arab Open University – Saudi Arabia

HRH Prince Abdulaziz bin Talal, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, visited the Arab Open University headquarters in Riyadh, accompanied by Mr. Khaled Sharbatly, to review ongoing strategic projects, where they were received by Prof. Mohammad Al-Zakari and senior leaders, highlighting support for the university’s future vision.



Civilian Personnel Affairs Department at the Ministry of Interior Visits the University – Bahrain

A delegation from the Ministry of Interior’s Civilian Personnel Affairs Department visited the university in Bahrain, where they met with President Dr. Najma Taqi and senior officials to discuss cooperation in training and professional development.



AOU Celebrates the Achievement of its Team “Athar” at Madinah Hackathon – Madinah, Saudi Arabia

In a new achievement showcasing students’ excellence and leadership in technology, the Arab Open University congratulated Computer Studies students in Madinah – Firas Dallo, Balsam Baroud, and Rayan Qaddad – as their team “Athar” won third place in the Infrastructure Track of the Madinah Hackathon organized by Prince Muqrin bin Abdulaziz University in collaboration with the Madinah Governorate.



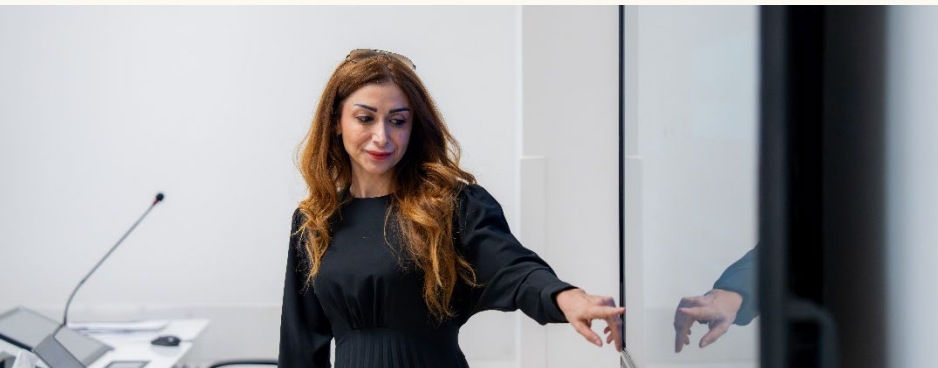
New Research Innovation: Two University Researchers Obtain Patent in Traffic Monitoring Systems – Saudi Arabia

AOU President congratulated Dr. Ivan Asfoura from the Faculty of Business Studies and Dr. Bilal Al-Hudhaifi on obtaining a patent from the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property for their invention: “A Continuous Monitoring System for Vehicle Speed Violations along Roads.” He commended their research efforts and contribution to strengthening the university’s standing in innovation and technology. The system relies on sensors equipped with storage chips to monitor speeds across areas, transmitting data to a central receiver to detect violations and take appropriate action, thereby enhancing road safety.



Digital Drawing Workshop as Part of Summer Camp 2025: Creative Empowerment with Modern Tools – Bahrain

As part of the 2025 Summer Camp, the Department of Training, Continuing Education, and Community Service at the Arab Open University organized a specialized workshop titled “Digital Drawing.” The workshop targeted youth interested in developing their digital art skills and, over three days, covered key practical topics, including an introduction to the basics and techniques of digital drawing using computers and tablets.



Master’s Thesis Defense in Educational Leadership at the Arab Open University – Oman

The Arab Open University in Oman held the defense of a master’s thesis by Karima Ali Fares on the role of leadership styles in motivating teachers in Muscat’s private schools.



AOU Signs Cooperation Agreement with the Association of University Student Clubs – Saudi Arabia

The Arab Open University in Saudi Arabia signed an agreement with the Association of University Student Clubs to enhance innovation, social responsibility, and leadership skills among students in line with Vision 2030.



“Purple Saturday” to Empower People with Disabilities – Dammam, Saudi Arabia

As part of its social responsibility, the Arab Open University’s Dammam branch participated in the “Purple Saturday” initiative organized by Al-Bayda Municipality to support and empower people with disabilities. The university set up an information booth presenting its academic programs, with special focus on the Bachelor of Executive Secretarial Studies designed for students with hearing impairments, currently offered at the Riyadh branch.



Master’s Thesis Defense in Educational Technology at the Arab Open University – Oman

The Arab Open University in Oman held the defense of a master’s thesis by Khamis bin Said Al-Harbi on the impact of synchronous and asynchronous participation modes in e-learning on developing digital citizenship skills.