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CELEBRATING A NEW SEMESTER



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Message from the President

Dear students, faculty, and staff,
Welcome to the ninth issue of our UDST POST.

We promised you a year full of exciting events and opportunities, and our promise is a commitment to excellence in everything we do. One month has passed since the beginning of the new term and we are already very busy putting into action all our plans.

As you flip between the pages of this issue, you will be positively surprised by the many achievements we have accomplished and the actions we have put in place. After celebrating the new semester with close to 6400 students, we hosted an enjoyable and activity-filled day to appreciate more than 1400 UDST volunteers who participated in the organization and delivery of the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022™.

Furthermore, our accounting program has earned endorsement by the Institute of Management Accountants (IMA®). We are also excited to announce that UDST has participated in the 9th Edition of the GCC Sports Tournament for Universities and Higher Education Institutes. We competed against 20 of the leading Universities in the region through football, volleyball, swimming, track, table tennis and padel.

There is no doubt that UDST is taking its rightful place as one of Qatar's leading higher education institutions, and I urge everyone to engage in every way they can to support this University so that it may effectively fulfill its one-of-a-kind vision.

Dr. Salem Al-Naemi
President
University of Doha for Science and Technology



UDST concludes AHLAN week

An event full of activities to welcome close to 6400 new and returning students for the Winter semester

University of Doha for Science and Technology welcomed back close to 6400 students to campus for the Winter semester. New and returning students have joined 5 Colleges that are offering more than 60 programs in the fields of Business Management, Computing and Information Technology, Engineering Technology, Health Sciences and General Education.

The University organized an Ahlan Welcome Week event, a full week of activities to celebrate the beginning of the new semester. The Student Engagement Department, a division of Student Affairs held orientation sessions for the new joiners prior to the first day of classes. New students were introduced to the many advanced laboratory and simulation facilities that the campus boasts, and were able to meet highly skilled faculty and staff who will be supporting them through their study journey.

Furthermore, students had the opportunity to engage in different festivities including a food truck festival, semester goal setting exercises, meet and greets, open mic and movie night, ending with the popular “Club Fest”, an occasion to encourage students’ involvement in extra-curricular activities. Students at UDST can start their own club or join an existing one. The clubs’ list is extensive and reflects the University’s commitment in creating extra-curricular activities that meet the aspirations of the students and their interests. The list includes the following: Photography Club, Music Club, Volunteer Club, Art Club, Debate Club, Deen Club (Religion), Toastmasters Club, Four Paws Club (animal welfare), Theater Club, Environment Club, Book Club, Best Buddies Club, Qatar Student Association, Filmmakers Club, Fan Club and the Cooking Club. Other Student Affairs departments – Sport and Wellness and the Library

– also participated, providing additional opportunities for students to be involved in.

Addressing the students during his welcome speech, Dr. Salem Al-Naemi, President of UDST said: “We are starting a new year, a new semester and a new chapter for our beloved Nation.

After hosting a phenomenal World Cup tournament, Qatar has proved to the World that with ambition, dedication, and perseverance anything is possible. And that’s a lesson I want you to remember. You will face many challenges in your course of study, in your career, and in life. These challenges can be overcome if you truly believe in yourself and your capabilities.”

He added: “UDST’s core values of performance, excellence, and achievement are the foundation of our commitment towards our students and our nation. Our aim is to help our community self-develop and seek innovation that serves society and achieves sustainability under the Qatar National Vision 2030.”

Ahlan Welcome Week is an event that creates more interaction between students and contributes to their personal and professional growth.

Furthermore, at UDST both Qatari citizens and children of Qatari women are exempt from the payment of tuition fees for Bachelor’s degree and diploma programs. The University offers applied Bachelor’s and Master’s degree programs in addition to diplomas and certificates. All programs are tailored to achieve human, social and economic development goals nationally and internationally.





University of Doha for Science and Technology (UDST) hosted an enjoyable and activity-filled day, to appreciate those from the University who took part as volunteers in the organization and delivery of the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022. Almost 1,400 students, faculty and staff members from UDST had stepped up to volunteer for the historic sporting event, hosted in Qatar for the first time, showcasing the strength of volunteering culture at the University. The appreciation event took place at the on-campus Sport and Wellness facilities and opened with a speech from the University's President, Dr. Salem Al-Naemi.

"UDST is the country's leading applied education institution, and as such, we truly believe in the power of learning by doing. What greater way to learn than by getting involved in a new project as a volunteer? It is the perfect opportunity to gain experience and learn new skills, and invaluable ground on which to build character and shape personalities". "We are proud to recognize and appreciate the tremendous contribution of our volunteers from UDST who were involved in the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022. These volunteers dedicated their time and energy to ensure the event was a success, and their involvement has helped to inspire others and nourish the volunteering mindset we have here at the University. Giving back to the community is respected and encouraged at UDST."

Many of the volunteers were able to help out with volunteering on home turf, as students and staff got directly involved in the logistics required for hosting the Swiss national team's training site at the University. Other volunteers were able to apply the technical skills gained through their courses at UDST, by working on the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 sustainability reports. All volunteers got the chance to develop their teamwork, leadership and communication skills.

UDST leads the way for Qatar's education sector in promoting extra-curricular activities for their student community, and has always fostered a culture of volunteering on campus. It is so much a part of the community culture that the students themselves recently founded UDST's "Volunteering Club" for students and staff. The club was created to encourage giving back to the community and country, in line with UDST's values.



UDST's accounting program endorsed by IMA



The Bachelor of Business Administration in Applied Accounting program has earned endorsement by the Institute of Management Accountants (IMA®), one of the largest and most respected associations focused exclusively on advancing the management accounting profession.

This endorsement is an international recognition for the academic and professional support provided to our students preparing them for successful careers in management accounting pursuing and earning the CMA® (Certified Management Accounting) certification.

IMA's Endorsement of Higher Education initiative recognizes programs that meet high educational standards, enabling students to pursue and earn the CMA. This program is a relevant assessment of advanced accounting and financial management knowledge in areas such as financial planning, analysis, control, and decision support – each of which is increasingly critical in meeting the changing needs of business, and therefore, essential learning for students of accounting and finance.



UDST signs an MoU with Mada Innovation for inclusive education at the core of the agreement



University of Doha for Science and Technology announced that it has initiated a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Mada the world's center of excellence in digital access in Arabic. Dr. Salem Al-Naemi, President of UDST, and Maha Al-Mansouri, CEO of Mada Center signed the agreement in the presence of several university officials and a delegation from the organization.

The agreement brings forward many collaboration opportunities in the fields of information technology and inclusivity. Both parties agreed to cooperate in evaluating a number of innovations that support inclusive education, and attract students with disabilities to Mada Innovation Club. UDST's community will benefit from exchanging consultations and recommendations for supporting, developing, and activating innovations to support students with disabilities.

The MoU also creates the foundation to work on the integration of accessible technologies and learning platforms. The two parties will evaluate, measure, and raise the percentage of application and adoption of digital access policies at the University.

AFCENT band performing at UDST



University of Doha for Science and Technology hosted a special performance by the U.S. Air Forces Central Command Band at the Dukhan auditorium. The event was organized in collaboration with the U.S. Embassy in Qatar. The AFCENT Band is a versatile group that showcases dynamic musicians. They perform a wide variety of music ranging from Top 40, pop, R&B, country and jazz to rock and roll classics, appealing to audiences of all ages and backgrounds, positively promoting troop morale, diplomacy, and outreach to local communities. Members of the band are world-class musicians trained by some of the finest American and international music schools and conservatories, who have volunteered to use their talents to serve in the United States Air Force as full-time musicians.

UDST at the GCC Sports Tournament for Universities and Higher Education Institutes.



University of Doha for Science and Technology has participated in the 9th Edition of the GCC Sports Tournament for Universities and Higher Education Institutes.

The tournament took place from the 4th of February to 10th of February in Qatar, hosted by Hamad Bin Khalifa University (HBKU). The University was proud to participate in the following sports: football, volleyball, swimming, track, table tennis and padel.

This is UDST's first appearance at the games and we were excited to showcase our sport talents across the entire GCC region. Our athletes made us proud and put up a great show at the tournament. Tony Martin, Sport and Wellness Manager expressed his pleasure to see UDST participating in this unique event and to have the opportunity to showcase our dedicated University athletes on this international stage.

A special delegation from DMZ at UDST



Mr. Abdullah Snobar, the Executive Director of the DMZ and the CEO of DMZ Ventures and Mr. Sherif El Tawil, Senior Director, Programs & Partnerships at the DMZ, Toronto Metropolitan University visited UDST on Thursday, January 12th. The delegates met with UDST executives to discuss collaboration opportunities in the fields of entrepreneurship and incubation. The DMZ is a leading startup incubator equipping the next generation of leading tech entrepreneurs with the tools needed to build, launch, and scale highly impactful startups. The DMZ has a significant global presence with on-the-ground operations in more than 10 countries around the world.



Shout out to our business students

We are pleased to share a message from Q-Tickets that acknowledges the work of some of our MRKT3105 (Marketing) students on their internship. Our College of Business Management collaborated with Qatar Day/ Q-Tickets on industry-facing course assignments in MRKT3105. Representatives from the industry presented the client situation and defined the deliverables and students completed and created work that is reviewed and judged by the industry. The assignments aligned to the CLO's and the students were very happily engaged with the industry client. Qatar Day/ Q-tickets was particularly pleased to offer students from the Fall 2022 MRKT3105 class an internship opportunity during the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022™.

Here's how Qatar Day/ Q-Tickets described our students: "We would like to acknowledge the incredible job that UDST interns did being a part of our team. Ranya Hadji, Habiba Abdelgawad, and Aulia Silva displayed inspiring levels of passion and creativity during their time at this office.

In addition to these, the three helped with local news and event coverage on our website and social media pages during the extremely hectic FIFA World Cup season. Ranya, Aulia & Habiba were a complete joy to be around and I would like to take this opportunity to wish the three of them the very best in their future endeavors."

Abdul Waleed | Content Producer, Qtickets

Take a look at some of their work on topics such as:

Popular local attractions:

<https://qatarday.com/top-9-cultural-attractions-in-qatar>

Things to do around town:

<https://qatarday.com/best-things-to-do-in-qatar-for-families>

The powerful women of Qatar:

<https://qatarday.com/the-powerful-women-of-qatar>

Fun video projects:

https://www.instagram.com/reel/CnKikPOrWeg?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link



Qatar Day/ Q-Tickets expressed their will to extend a similar offer for an internship program to the best performers in this Winter 2023 semester MRKT3105 course delivery.



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حملة التبرع بالدم BLOOD DONATION Campaign

نتشرف بالإعلان عن أن مؤسسة حمد الطبية ستطلق حملة تبرع بالدم في حرم الجامعة. لجنة الحرم الصحي في جامعة الدوحة للعلوم والتكنولوجيا تحت الجميع على التبرع بالدم، فهو أسمى وأهم خدمة اجتماعية يقدمها الإنسان. فمن خلال التبرع بالدم، ننقذ حياة من هم بحاجة إليه.

Hamad Medical Cooperation, will be launching a blood donation campaign on campus. UDST Healthy Campus Committee, encourages all members of our community to donate blood. It is the most important social service to humankind. By donating blood, we save lives.

Date: 21st February, 2023

Time: 7am - 1pm

Place: Court Yard, next to Building 13

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