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## **AAU President and Deanship of Student Affairs Meet New Students**

The Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University of Science and Technology organized the first meeting with the new students joining AAU for the First Semester 2013/2014. Prof. Ghaleb Awad El Refae, AAU President, attended the meeting along with college deans and faculty members.

Prof. El Refae welcomed the new students expressing his pleasure for their joining AAU. He underlined that they will receive the attention and support they need from AAU administration and faculty. He also added that AAU seeks to provide distinguished services for its students and to ensure they find the appropriate atmosphere to study.

In addition, the AAU President reiterated that the role of students in universities is reflected in their strong belief in the part they play as a cornerstone in the process of construction and development. He called to strengthen the relationship between students and faculty and

encouraged adopting dialog and mutual respect to consolidate and deepen this relationship.

Moreover, Prof. El Refae pointed out that AAU has taken strides in its development plan with regard to study plans and academic programs offered by its five colleges, the College of Engineering and Information Technology, the College of Pharmacy, the College of Law, the College of Education, and the College of Business Administration in addition to the Professional Diploma in Teaching, the MBA, the MA in Private Law, the MA in Public Law, and the MA in TESOL programs. To that end, AAU has appointed a group of academic experts in various disciplines; something that will reflect positively on the academic outcomes sought by the students, while, at the same time, meeting the requirements of the job market by providing qualified professionals with qualifications competitive with those of the top international higher education academic institutions.

On her part, Dr. Enas Abu Libdeh, Dean of Student Affairs, welcomed the new students highlighting AAU's and the Deanship of Student Affairs' interest in the academic side and supporting it with extracurricular activities. She underlined that the Deanship of Student Affairs is ready to offer various cultural, social, sports, and arts activities through its different departments.

She added that through its future plan, AAU seeks for its academic outcomes to be in tandem with the most recent educational and scientific research technologies as research is pivotal for evaluating universities and their outcomes. This requires students to possess the capability to keep up with such advances through referring to academic resources in all forms whether books, references, or e-resources.

Finally, Abu Libdeh reiterated the importance of academic advising for new students as well as the importance of frequently visiting the Deanship of Student Affairs. At the same time, she warned students against incomplete exams and academic warnings as they form a big source of pressure and stress.

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