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Arab Open University  
Lebanon



## Arab Open University – Lebanon

Welcome **to the sixth edition** of the Arab Open University – Lebanon newsletter.

Explore what we have been up to the past month  
and learn more about what's coming!

## University Updates

### Milestone Validation Visit

As part of the ongoing strategic partnership between the Arab Open University and the Open University in the United Kingdom, and in fulfilment of the requirements for institutional accreditation renewal and enhanced compliance with international quality assurance and academic governance standards, the Arab Open University – Lebanon hosted a comprehensive academic and administrative audit visit. This visit aimed to assess the level of adherence to internationally recognized regulatory frameworks and academic standards.

The visit's findings confirmed the soundness of the university's institutional frameworks and its readiness for institutional accreditation renewal. It also confirmed the university's institutional readiness for accreditation of its Bachelor of Science programs in Esports and Digital Game Development.



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### MOU with Techlarious

The University signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Techlarious, to work towards advancing technology education

and student development aligned with job market needs.

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## Articles from Departments

### ***Why Continuous Professional Development Still Matters***

Mrs. Manal Ahmad

Students seem to be programmed to get bored easily nowadays. We used to play with sand and cooking sets, yet today children play online games. They miss the feeling of touching things, the sand, the plastic pot, the wooden plate, and most importantly, the breeze outside in the garden.

You may ask: how is playing related to writing? Here we go. Playing is simply training the brain to plan. It involves planning and enjoying the process. You decide where to build your house, where to place items in your mini kitchen, and who will visit your unfurnished home behind the

curtains. Similarly, writing involves planning ideas and building structure

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## January Highlights



### **AI for Educators**

The Faculty of Education held an insightful workshop introducing schoolteachers to the transformative role of artificial

### **Orientation Session**

The Students Affairs team had a student orientation session for Al Amir School, where students got to tour the university,

intelligence in shaping the classroom of the future.



know more about the majors, and their future at the AOU.



### School Visits

The Student Affairs team visited several schools the past month to introduce students to AOU. From left to right: Bourj International College, Charity High School - Mreijeh, and Sunrise High School.



### Students Corner



#### ParliYouth

AOU students, from diverse academic disciplines, took part in the ParliYouth initiative with the Student Affairs team.

This opening session, at the Lebanese Parliament, provided a platform for constructive dialogue and direct engagement with distinguished Members of Parliament, reinforcing students' roles as informed, responsible, and future-ready contributors to public life.



## GMDT Senior Project Presentations

Senior GMDT students showcased the culmination of their academic and creative journeys through projects reflecting innovation, technical skill, and thoughtful design.

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## Student Achievement

Our very own GMDT student Yorgo Katergi, GMDT senior, got selected for the Lebanese Independent Film Festival (LIFF) with his film Six Rooms. We congratulate Yorgo for this very impressive feat!

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Finals are (finally!) over, and we hope all of our students did their best. Currently, they are going through advising period, where the rush of grades and course selections can be a bit overwhelming. They get guidance, support to select the plan that fits best. The period of advising is never boring at AOU, instructors get to meet the students, check on them, and then give them the best advice to shape their futures.

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## Entrepreneurship Center



## EC Delivering Training

The EC is currently delivering a capacity building training to around 160 women

under the Women Empowerment Hub, an EU-funded initiative jointly implemented by GIZ International Services and Expertise France.

## Kindness Corner



The AOUI Kindness Wall is now up in our Beirut and Antelias Centers! Pass by and pick your favorite quote, share a picture on Instagram, and tag us to spread kindness!

## Stay Tuned!

Stay tuned for more updates, inspiring stories, and upcoming initiatives from the Arab Open University – Lebanon.

Together, we continue to learn, innovate, and shape a brighter future.

