MESSAGE FROM
THE DIRECTOR

27 May 2022

It is with great pleasure I am introducing the second edition of ADPoly Post. This issue includes many articles written by students and staff, which reflect some of our main events and achievements during the second semester of the academic year 2021-2022.

It is incredible to reflect on how ADPoly has grown and progressed since its founding in 2010 to become one of the leading higher applied education institutions in the region. We are continuing to offer high-level vocational professional programs to prepare our students to UAE industry market. We have succeeded in gaining international accreditation for our programs including ABET, SIEMENS and NEBOSH, and have signed many memoranda of understanding with partners in the region such as Huawei and GAL. We hope to continue delivering programs that place an emphasis on hands-on training and internationally recognized professional certificates while also providing an excellent theoretical basis. Our campuses provide state-of-the-art facilities to help with this hands-on training, including the newly developed Process Plant at our Abu Dhabi campus that contributes to achieving our research goals and enhancing the student learning through work and real practice.

I would like to invite you to read all the content of ADPoly Post to learn more about our achievements and events. This newsletter will allow us to see examples of our commitment to achieving our vision and mission.

Finally, please be aware that admission for the academic year 2022/2033 is now open. Learn about the admission process following this link:

http://www.adpoly.ac.ae/En/admissions/Documents/ADPoly_Admission_Requirements.pdf
Academic Support Department (ASD) celebrated the UAE Innovation Month by hosting the Innovation Day at our Abu Dhabi campus. The aim of this event was to raise awareness of state-of-the-art innovations and pave the way for the young innovators of tomorrow. It was organised by the Innovation Club and Media club, led by Eng. Evelyn Saldarriaga and Dr Bashar Abu Shunnar.

To capture the spirit of the month, the innovation club at ASD invited faculty members, students and guest speakers to participate in the Innovation Day. The event was filled with various activities and displays that marked the UAE innovation month.

Dr. Mufeed Batarseh, Head of Academic Support Department, opened the event and stressed the importance of the UAE Month of Innovation as it has been core to our ethos as an educational institution. He pointed out that we should wholeheartedly believe in the power of creativity to empower our students and drive success both in and outside the classroom. He urged students to make the most of the Innovation Day.

The event included a series of innovation displays, sessions and workshops including a photo gallery, environmental awareness session, open mic session, photography, and motivational workshops. The photo gallery, which was presented by the Media Club, displayed various photos on the Emirates society and environment. The gallery showed students’ participation in Expo 2020 as well as Emirates Skills.

An environmental awareness session entitled “Towards Zero-Net CO2 Emissions in 2050” was presented by Dr. Mufeed Batarseh, Head of Academic Support Department. He pointed out that Net Zero by 2050 strategic initiative is an international drive to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050. Transitioning to a net-zero world is one of the greatest challenges humankind has faced. It calls for nothing less than a complete transformation of how we produce, consume, and transport ourselves.

The Innovation Club held an open mic session, organized by Eng. Evelyn Saldarriaga and opened by Dr Anthony Hechanova, where students, faculty and innovators were invited to present their ideas and projects on how to protect the environment. At the end, the presenters received feedback from the mentors to help them improve their innovative ideas.

Following this, The SDG team members brainstormed and designed an awareness and activation campaign around ADPoly. The treasure hunt game included 7 stations in different campus locations in which students had to complete clues related to the 17 SDGs and compete for prizes. SDG team organizers: Mahrah, Meera Juma, Meera Ahmed, Abdulrahman, Hamdan, Humaid.

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Dr. Abeer Fahim, coordinator of the English team, held an inspiring workshop entitled “Empathy in innovation”. She pointed out that every great innovation has come from a place of empathy. Innovation is so often borne out of someone’s frustration with the current way or state of things.

Students had the chance to attend photography and motivational workshops conducted by the Emirati social media celebrities Mr. Zayed Al Haddar and Mr. Eisa Al Hammadi.

At the end of the day, the attendees expressed their happiness with the innovation event and treated themselves with snacks and chocolates. Again, the innovation chocolates were consumed in the first few minutes!

ADPOLY IFTAR BANQUET IN AL AIN

25 April 2022

Abu Dhabi Polytechnic (ADPoly) hosted an Iftar banquet for the employees and students at Ayla Hotel in Al Ain. Academics, staff and students gathered to celebrate the Holy Month of Ramadan. The event provided the guests the opportunity to meet, interact and build social relationships with other members of our college.

ADPoly director, Dr Ali Al Naqbi, addressed the employees thanking them and highlighting their significant role and effort in providing the students with the best service and education. He emphasized that the people are the university’s real source of pride. The Director also called on the employees to exert more effort in their jobs as the results of their hard work will contribute to the country’s development.

Staff and students expressed their gratitude and appreciation to the college administration for this generous gesture, which gave them the opportunity to interact and socialise together.

The banquet is considered an annual event during the holy month of Ramadan. It embodies the university’s enthusiasm for collaboration across campuses and departments.

In a different Iftar event, the Student Service Department, led by Dr Mufeed, organised another banquet at the student accommodation. The residents enjoyed the event and made suggestions for the residence facilities.
ADPOLY GRADUATE SUCCESS STORIES

FATIMA AL RAMSI, NUCLEAR AND ELECTROMECHANICAL GRADUATE

Every story has certain points where a character in the story develops either through a journey, experience or development. Abu Dhabi Polytechnic played that role in developing my character in my story. I can honestly say with confidence that I am the person I am today due to the influential role Abu Dhabi Polytechnic played in my story.

I originally graduated from ADPoly with the Higher diploma in Nuclear Technology (HDNT). Following this, I continued my development and went on to obtain an Electromechanical Engineering degree, also from ADPoly. However, the qualifications I was awarded from our highly renowned educational institution is only one part of my journey.

Another key aspect of this formation I wanted to highlight is the experience I went through with the hands-on training that Abu Dhabi Polytechnic provided. This includes the constant encouragement I received from my professors along with the support I received from ADPoly’s management. As a result of this, I was able to join the prestigious leadership program organized by the Prime Minister’s Office, which chooses only 40 participants per year, and go on to obtain a managerial position within only 4 years.

I can’t thank Abu Dhabi Polytechnic enough for enriching those values in me and ingraining a deeper drive within me. I am where I am today due to those embedded values.

ABU DHABI POLYTECHNIC GRADUATE SUCCESS STORIES

AL UNOOD ALNUAIMI, PETROLEUM ENGINEERING GRADUATE

Abu Dhabi Polytechnic graduate Al Unood AlNuaimi is an oil drilling chief at Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC), one of the world’s largest oil enterprises, and manages 66 employees. She describes her professional success working at this company.

As a teenager, Emirati Al Unood AlNuaimi had a remarkably strong interest in pipelines and petroleum, and her final chemistry project at ADPoly mimicked the flow of drilling fluids in a constraint environment. Now, she is one of the successful employees for ADNOC and works as a drilling supervisor on an onshore oilfield, managing a team of professional engineers and technicians.

“I had an amazing chemistry professor who was very supportive and had some exposure into oil and gas and I got so fixated. I had multiple scholarships to do other types of engineering, but I was very persistent about wanting to go into petroleum engineering,” she explained.

The work involves 12-hour shifts supervising the boring and cementing of the well, with regular visits to the drill cabin, analysis of trends and health and safety meetings with contractors. Al Unood said she is proud to be a graduate from ADPoly and working as a woman in an engineering environment. She feels supported by ADNOC and is enjoying her professional development at this enterprise.

In order to learn more about Al Unood and her professional journey, feel free to scan the QR code to watch a video ADNOC uploaded on LinkedIn.

Article adapted from The National Newspaper, 28 August 2021.
ADPOLY HOLDS EXHIBITION SHOWCASING GRADUATION PROJECTS

28 April 2022

Abu Dhabi Polytechnic organized a graduation exhibition of students’ graduation projects in the presence of faculty members and students.

Dr. Ali Al Naqabi, ADPoly Director, said that this event aims to provide the students with real experience in design and innovation by making use of the skills and knowledge they had acquired during the years of study. He also added that students would be able to make modern products, produce new devices and develop existing processes with professional qualities to serve society.

Students from various engineering disciplines discussed their graduation projects that adopt real problems from our lives. By applying what they have learnt solving these problems, they will succeed in benefiting society, companies and the university.

During this event, students gave an overview of the projects they carried out during the current semester, which qualify them to graduate from the college. These projects were related to engineering, technology, sustainability, 3D printing, robotics, the environment, water treatment and renewable energy.

Dr. Osama Hassan, Head of EMET department, pointed out that there was an outstanding portfolio of graduation projects this semester. ADPoly students have progressed in their specializations. We have seen their projects grow from initial ideas to the research, design and implementation and then to testing and manufacturing. ADPoly students’ outstanding work reflects not only their technical knowledge but also the personal skills they acquired during their journey at our institution.

During the past years, ADPoly exhibition of graduation projects has been able to contribute to community service by strengthening partnership with government bodies and institutions in the UAE and other surrounding markets through many graduation projects.

These events come in line with the university’s strategy based on feeding the community and authorities in the country with their needs of studies and scientific research required to achieve the desired goals, and to create an environment that supports creative ideas and innovators.

WORKSHOPS FOR GRADUATION PROJECT STUDENTS

21 - 24 February 2022

During the final week of February this semester, the Writing Centre delivered training for our graduating project students. There were four sessions in total and the overall objective was to help equip the participants with necessary and practical skills for the workplace and their future careers.

The first session was provided by Mr. Aaron McCully on professional email etiquette. This included some key guidance for students on using email in the workplace, structuring their ideas and how to come across as more polite in writing. The following day, Dr. Jason Wright’s session focused on practical techniques to write various types of reports in a work context. In the third session with Dr. Bashar Abu Shunnar, the students learnt about crafting a professional CV along with strategies to market themselves to prospective employers. Finally, Dr. Abeer Fahim delivered a session on communication skills to help prepare the students to collaborate with others in their future workplaces.

The Writing Centre was glad to receive positive feedback from the participants and looks forward to delivering further training for our GP students.
Today, higher education is moving from the pandemic challenge to face the Net-Zero Emissions (NZEs) challenge to be met in 2050. NZEs aims to reach decarbonization in 2050, which simply means the balance in carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions versus consumption. This challenge has become a priority for Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) to develop their education systems to be more sustainable and to meet new market demands.

Corporate social responsibility (CSR) has never been so important for companies and their investors. This is why a set of standards, known as the environmental, social and governance (ESG) criteria, is being increasingly used by investors to analyse the impact their investments have. The environmental criteria screen business sustainability and its environmental impact, whereas social criteria focus on the sustainability of the company’s relationship with employees, clients, and community. All these criteria are reshaping the economy and leading to shifts in the job market.

After the Climate Change Summit in Glasgow in 2021, COP26, the world transformation towards NZEs has put more pressure on certain sectors, notably energy, industry and construction, to reduce their carbon footprint. This is providing a great opportunity for the economy by creating millions of new jobs and boosting economic growth. However, such considerable changes require government support through training and devoting resources to facilitating new opportunities.

Therefore, HEIs should respond to such transformation and reconsider ESG criteria in terms of institutional practices, education quality, faculty and graduates’ skills, along with the scope of academic programs to meet the emerging changes. This will allow the HEIs to lead the community toward NZEs, ESGs and sustainability adaptation.

The United Arab Emirates has already taken already several steps to be the first nation in the Middle East and North Africa to reach Net Zero 2050 and promote sustainability. UAE strategy is based on three main pillars.

The first pillar is the strategic alignment of the major economic opportunities offered by the path to net zero. The UAE is directly supporting a vision to develop the Emirates into the world’s most dynamic economy in terms of long-term strategies to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and limit the rise in global temperature to 1.5°C.

The second pillar is the coordination of efforts at all national sectors to update relevant plans, strategies, and policies, and implement initiatives and projects to achieve net zero by 2050 in line with their needs and growth requirements.

The third pillar is the deployment and use of clean energy solutions to address the challenge of climate change and reducing GHG emissions. The state began financing clean energy projects more than 15 years ago and has invested over 40 billion USD in the sector to date.

Worldwide, the UAE supports green infrastructure and clean energy projects and has invested in renewable energy ventures worth around 16.8 billion USD in 70 countries with a focus on developing nations. Additionally, Abu Dhabi is going to host the climate change summit (COP28) in 2023.

The Institute of Applied Technology (IAT) has many initiatives that are addressing implicitly the ESGs. Academic programs offered at ADPoly have a major component in renewable energy and climate change awareness through the academic curriculum and programs scope. Volunteer hours is a major component of the graduation requirements at HEIs working under IAT. Additionally, we are proud of our institutional sustainability practices such as green campus practices, transparency in governances, student clubs and many other initiatives. However, we still need as IAT to declare our commitment and institutional strategy toward NZEs to be aligned with the nation NZE’s strategy. Therefore, it is recommended to follow some recommendations which are listed below:
VISIT TO THE INNOVATION PARK IN MBZ CITY
5 April 2022

During the professional development week, members of the Academic Support Department staff had the opportunity to visit the Innovation Park in Mohammed Bin Zayed City. This is where ACTIVET carry out some of their training for students who are participating in the Emirates Skills national competition. The training areas the park offers include 3D printing, automotive engineering, and metalworking.

The expert staff (photos below) were able to showcase and explain the state-of-the-art technology at the park. The facilities include some of the world’s largest 3D printers and the park has their creations on display, including larger pieces of furniture as well as smaller intricate models. Both of these display the immense potential 3D printing has.

The Emirates Skills competition allows talented and motivated students to develop their technical skills in technology and craftsmanship. These young men and women have access to world-class training and facilities, and receive personalised coaching throughout the process.

In addition to the significant experience students can receive, all participants reap an array of benefits. This includes expanding their network of contacts and having the opportunity to work with industry partners as well as experts in their fields. They can also showcase their achievements in their areas and the highest achievers even receive cash rewards at the end of the competition.

We would like to take the opportunity to remind students that they can apply for the Emirates Skills competition by speaking to their supervisor or Mr Alaa Yousef Al Haik (alaa.alhaik@adpoly.ac.ae) for guidance on the application process. You can also learn more about Emirates Skills at their official website: https://www.actvet.gov.ae/

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION DAY
10 January 2022

Abu Dhabi Polytechnic organised an orientation day for new students, with the aim of shedding light on the university’s systems and programmes as well as facilitating the transition from school to university life.

At the beginning of the meeting, Dr Mufeed Batarseh, Head of Academic Support Department, congratulated the new students for joining Abu Dhabi Polytechnic calling on them to exert maximum efforts and assume responsibility to achieve excellence in their academic career, move at a steady pace in college, and eventually begin their professional life.

During the meeting, Dr Mufeed Batarseh introduced college departments, bylaws, and regulations, and provided students with important guidelines through which they could learn about the services provided by the university, their rights and duties.

Dr Mufeed urged students to actively participate in the diverse student cultural, intellectual, sports and social activities. These contribute greatly to building a distinguished, solid and balanced leadership personality, enabling them to maximise their success after finishing their degrees.

Finally, Dr. Mufeed Batarseh asked students to follow the precautionary measures in order to preserve the safety of everyone, and to abide by the schedule of lectures, whether inside the college or remotely, wishing them every success.
Having proficient English skills underpins success in all the programmes we offer here at ADPoly. This is why our newsletter includes a short article every edition to learn about strategies and resources you can use in your free time to develop them. This semester, we would like to tell you about a resource to improve your listening and vocabulary – the BBC’s 6 Minute English podcast series.

Each week the BBC releases a new podcast on a different topic and, as the name suggests, they are only six minutes long. You can find a range of themes they discuss including science, current events, video games, and the environment. So, there is something that is interesting for everyone, and you can also find new things to learn about.

Each episode includes a discussion about the topic and a quiz question for you to think about – the answers are revealed at the end of the episode. There is also a vocabulary section that provides you with an explanation and examples of new vocabulary that has been covered.

We recommended checking the podcast out and to make listening to it a regular part of your routine. If you commit to this, you will see your vocabulary grow and your listening skills develop during the semester.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish/english/features/6-minute-english

ADPoly organises day trips to Expo 2020

January - March 2022

ADPoly generously encouraged its employees and students to take a day off during the semester to visit Expo 2020, which is one of the world’s most prominent cultural events.

Many visitors from ADPoly attended as part of the Expo 2020 University Program, which included informative and enjoyable educational experiences and tours. Our college organised 700 of these tours for over 200 students. Participants who attended three different meetings with the Sustainability, Mobility and Opportunity District were awarded the EXPO 2020 University Program Certificate.

This was a great opportunity for students to take their learning beyond the lecture hall, enriching existing curricula by offering real-life examples of interdisciplinary ideas. All participants gained exposure to innovation from around the world by taking part in this once-in-a-lifetime cultural and learning experience.

ADPoly students with His Excellency Sheikh Nahayan Mabarak Al Nahayan

Several ADPoly attendees had the honour of meeting His Excellency Sheikh Nahayan Mabarak Al Nahayan, pictured above, during one of the visits. Students were able to discuss Expo 2020 with the Head Minister of Culture, Youth, and Social Development, and praised both his ministry and the wider UAE government in successfully running the world’s greatest show.

Eng. Khalid Hussein and ADPoly students receiving their awards
During the first week of April, all staff from Abu Dhabi Polytechnic participated in the professional development week. This was an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the latest developments from the Ministry of Education, receive pedagogical training, and attend an array of presentations and workshops.

The central theme of the week was how technical and vocational education at our institution has changed since 2020 as well as the insight we have gained into teaching and learning during the COVID-19 pandemic. The organisers from the Academic Support Department were Dr Mufeed Batarseh and Ms Diana Al Haffar, who did an excellent job of facilitating this productive week.

Dr Mufeed Batarseh delivered the first presentation on the UAE government’s Net Zero 2050 initiative and the implications this has for our institution. Later that day, Dr Abeer Fahim and Dr Bashar Abu Shunnar presented success stories from the pandemic, using case studies from our students and staff. Eng. Hussein Alsmairat delivered the final presentation on post-pandemic health and safety awareness.

In terms of workshops, Mr Aaron McCully and Dr Bashar Abu Shunnar held a session on using formative assessment in the classroom. Dr Abeer Fahim and Dr Bashar Abu Shunnar delivered a workshop on blended learning and its relevance for our courses at ADPoly. Finally, Eng. Aya Abdelhamid, Dr Bashar Abu Shunnar and Dr Emad Imreizeeq provided a session on linear regression.

The week was also an opportunity for staff to receive job-related training, including a session on NQC course assessment and delivery policies by Dr Shaaban Ali and Dr Anthony Hechanova as well as a BCM awareness presentation by Dr Anthony Hechanova. On the Thursday, Eng. Khalifa Almansoori ran an on-campus workshop focused on 3d orientation and printing. Additionally, there was training provided by Blackboard and Pearson for their online learning platforms.

We would like to thank all the presenters for delivering their excellent sessions and to congratulate them on the feedback they received from their peers. We look forward to having the opportunity to participate in further training here at ADPoly.

During the professional development week, members of the Nawah Nuclear English Proficiency team met with instructors from the Academic Support Department. The objective of the workshop was to learn about Nawah’s effective safety communication training and exam, which all their employees must complete to work at the Barakah Nuclear Energy Plant.

The session was delivered by Dr Anthony Hechanova along with Ms Janine Frost and her team from Nawah. In attendance was Dr Abeer Fahim and the English team, as well as instructors and professors from ADPoly’s nuclear engineering programme.

The workshop was very productive, and all attendees familiarized themselves with Nawah’s nuclear English exam as well as the training process employees undergo to prepare for it. Interestingly, Nawah’s exam is the world’s first nuclear English language proficiency standard, which is key in ensuring a high level of effective safety communication in their operations.
PETROLEUM DEPARTMENT ALUMNI DAY

24 March 2022

The ADPoly SPE Chapter held its first Alumni Day at Abu Dhabi-MBZ campus. The event was organized by ADPoly Society of Petroleum Engineers (ADP-SPE) Student Chapter and sponsored by Abu Dhabi-Society of Petroleum Engineers (AD-SPE).

PET Alumni and current students came together to celebrate the reunion day. Attendees were able to speak about coming back to their second home, which is ADPoly. They talked vividly about lifelong friendships they had formed during their time at ADPoly. It was truly an unforgettable event among our PET graduates and SPE section members. Everyone enjoyed the “Photo Journey Exhibit” in the hallway, and the warm gathering was matched with delicious food as well as live piano music at the dining area.

Dr Anthony Hechanova, Deputy Director of ADPoly, made the opening remarks, and the event started with a welcome from Ms. Fatima Al Mheiri – ADPoly-SPE Student Chapter president. A representative of Abu Dhabi SPE section, Eng. Al Anoud Rashed Al Shamsi (ADNOC – Upstream) explained the SPE vision and mission, and Eng. Mashael Al Zahmi, a drilling engineer at ADNOC, highlighted the value of participating in SPE chapter activities in order to improve professional and technical skills.

Dr. Antonio Mateo, Head of PET and CHET Programs, gave a summary on the direction of the department towards a more hands-on approach in teaching and training. Eng. Alunood AlNuaimi, one of the ADNOC Group’s pioneering female drilling supervisors, praised the hands-on training she had received at ADPoly. Following this, Dr. Mohammad Alalaween, SPE Chapter advisor advised our aspiring PET students and alumni to contribute significantly to the future of oil and gas industry.

Finally, there was an interactive Q&A session comprised of ADPoly alumni, representatives of Abu Dhabi SPE section, and faculty members.

STUDENT SERVICE AND ALUMNI MEETING 2022

15 February 2022

Abu Dhabi Polytechnic organized an alumni meeting session with the aim of strengthening the friendly relationship between graduates and their university.

During his opening speech, Dr. Mufeed Batarseh, Head of Academic Support Department, highlighted the importance of the having a sense of loyalty and belonging to the university and welcomed all the attendees to the meeting. He also reviewed the achievements of ADPoly, considering that these accomplishments are not individual, but rather collective work over the past 10 years. Dr. Mufeed Batarseh also welcomed any suggestions or feedback from the attendees to improve the service ADPoly offers.

At the end of the session, former graduates expressed their appreciation for the Alumni meeting, which offered networking opportunities and connected recent graduates with established professionals. ADPoly strives to continue building bridges of communication between the university and its graduates.
EMET STUDENTS SHINE IN EMIRATES SKILLS 2022

9 March 2022

After the success of the Emirates Skills Competition 2021, the EMET Department motivated all the students to participate in the Emirates Skills Competition 2022 and opened doors for competition registration support under various categories. The department hoped to repeat the achievements from the previous year.

One of this year’s most important highlights is the appointment of three new staff members Eng. Andrei Rogger, Eng. Eduardo Kruczkievicz and Eng. Luis Ceaser, former world skills competition winners and vocational trainers from Brazil for Mobile Robotics, CNC Milling and Automobile Technology. They got broad exposure and experience for training our EMET students within the department to prepare them for the Emirates Skills Competitions.

In the 2022 Emirates Skills Competition, ADPoly student Ali Al Hammadi won the gold medal in the Automobile Technology category and was nominated to represent the UAE in the World Skills Competition that will take place in China this year. Additionally, Hazaa Alnuaimi, won the silver medal in the category of Automobile Technology.

To intensify the mobile robotics training for our students in future, EMET staff members Eng. Aboobacker and Eng. Muhammad Amin also received VEX V5 Certification from VEX Robotics in 2022.

Emirates Skills recognized competitors, who showed creativity and talent and demonstrated an outstanding performance based on the judging criteria for the chosen skill category.
ISET DEPARTMENT HOLDS EVENTS AT ADPOLY

DATA PROTECTION IN THE DIGITAL WORLD WORKSHOP

24 March 2022

In a series of ISET events for its students, Dr Nedal Ababneh, HoP organized a tech talk in collaboration with CyberGate to discuss Data Protection in the Digital World. CyberGate is an Emirati establishment founded with an objective to provide Cyber Security services that would improve the overarching cyber security posture of the United Arab Emirates. CyberGate has the in-house depth and breadth of information and cyber security expertise required to respond to the most technical information security challenges related to both Information and Operations. The session was presented by Mr. Srdjan Babic. Mr. Babic serves CyberGate as Director of Governance, Risks and Compliance and has vast experience and knowledge about Security Industry.

The session was highly interactive where the general concepts and best practices related to data protection were discussed. Mr. Srdjan Babic also discussed UAE Cyber Security laws related to data protection. Students took a special interest in the session as Mr. Babic oriented his talk around the data protection requirements during the development of different mobile applications in the United Arab Emirates. Overwhelmingly, students appreciated the knowledge shared by Mr. Babic, and a very healthy Q&A session was conducted. The session was concluded with an appreciation statement towards CyberGate and Mr Srdjan Babic from Dr Nedal, HoP Information Security Engineering Technology Department.

‘GETTING STARTED IN YOUR CAREER’ SEMINAR

22 March 2022

Abu Dhabi Polytechnic, Information Security Engineering Technology Department organized an event with the collaboration of Sheikh Shakhbout Medical City – SSMC. The event was conducted by Dr. Ibrahim Ahmed Alkuwaiti, who holds the responsibility of Staff Development Director at Sheikh Shakhbout Medical City Hospital, Abu Dhabi. SSMC in partnership with MAYO Clinic holds very high standards in developing its staff competencies.

SSMC was established in 2019, Sheikh Shakhbout Medical City (SSMC), one of the UAE’s largest hospitals for serious and complex care, is a joint venture between Abu Dhabi Health Services Company (SEHA), the UAE’s largest health care network, and Mayo Clinic, a non-profit global leader in medical care, education and research, headquartered in the United States of America.

Dr. Ibrahim Ahmed Alkuwaiti conducted an interactive session in Arabic and highlighted best practices while applying for different job opportunities in entry-level positions from fresh graduates. He also identified grave mistakes that applicants make while applying for the jobs. Sharing his experience as a seasoned recruiter he guided the Abu Dhabi Polytechnic students about his expectations from graduated student resumes and during job interview sessions. The session was very engaging and extended due to an extraordinary number of questions from the audience.

At the end, Dr. Nedal, Head of the Information Security Engineering Technology Department thanked the speaker and praised his engagement with Abu Dhabi Polytechnic students.
Abu Dhabi Polytechnic and “CompTIA” signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to develop the skills of Emirati students in information technology. The agreement provides Polytechnic graduates with the required certificates in the fields of information technology and sponsor people of determination to study information technology at Abu Dhabi Polytechnic for one year for the first time.

Abu Dhabi Polytechnic and National Centre of Meteorology (NCM) signed a second Memorandum of Understanding to consolidate their fruitful collaboration. The agreement aims to boost the relationship between NCM and ADPoly to provide the best and brightest UAE nationals with the training and opportunities needed to become part of an industry that is crucial to the country’s continued growth.

Abu Dhabi Polytechnic and Emirates Transport (ET) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to cooperate in the field of science and engineering technology and other common areas of interest, including provision of training to graduates and students.

Abu Dhabi Polytechnic and Cyber Gate signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to build students’ capabilities in the field of electronics while studying. The agreement that stipulates Cybergate will establish a specialized center for job training in the fields of electronic protection. This motivates students to work creatively in this important specialization, which contributes to the manufacture of national cadres specialized in the fields of electronic protection according to the highest international standards.
STUDENT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Student Council contributes to the success of the ADPOLY exhibit at the TVET week.

Student council visited the unmanned systems exhibition (UMEX) and simulation and training (SimTex 2022) hosted by the Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Center (ADNEC).

SPORTS DAY

23 March 2022

The Student Council organised a sports day event during the semester. It was held in the indoor gym and the cafeteria area. It consisted of tabletop games, such as chess and dominoes, along with card games. In the sports hall, there was also a football tournament in which six teams competed.

Food and beverages were served, which were much appreciated by all participants, and the event was a huge success in strengthening the bond among students and faculty members.
VERBAL BULLYING AWARENESS WORKSHOP

9 February 2022

At the beginning of Semester 2, Dr Sultan Al Sawafi delivered a very useful and practical workshop on the topic of identifying and preventing verbal bullying. ADPoly staff learned about types of bullying along with advice on how to identify and prevent it. All participants agreed this is an essential area to receive training in, and we should all commit to a zero tolerance policy of bullying at our institution.

To read Dr Sultan Al Sawafi’s article on verbal bullying (in Arabia), please scan this QR code.

CONGRATULATIONS TO DR AYA ABDELHAMID

18 May 2022

Earning a PhD degree is a huge stepping stone towards a brighter future. ADPoly staff and students had the pleasure of congratulating Dr. Aya Abdelhamid on being awarded her PhD degree in chemical engineering from the United Arab Emirates University after successfully defending her doctoral thesis.

We would like to send our congratulations to her and her family for this important milestone in her life and career.

MESSAGE FROM THE ADPOLY POST EDITORIAL BOARD

It has been a pleasure putting together the second edition of the ADPoly Post, and we hope you, as our readers, found it both interesting and enjoyable. We have the had the opportunity to work with other departments and colleagues across ADPoly and we would like to thank everyone who was able to contribute articles, photographs and ideas towards it. Publishing this would have been impossible without you.

We would like to highlight that this edition of the newsletter is more inclusive and has more stories from all our departments. The second edition is also longer as we have included more events, such as those from the Student Council, and people, including alumni and graduate profiles. Additionally, we have written about more achievements from individuals and our institution, which reminds us that working for ADPoly is something we can all be proud of.

We hope this newsletter is succeeding in bringing together all parts of the ADPoly community and we are looking forward to receiving your feedback, comments and suggestions for the next edition.
ACADEMIC SUPPORT DEPARTMENT (ASD)  
STUDENT SERVICES

Learning Centres

The Learning Centers at Abu Dhabi Polytechnic are dedicated to providing an effective learning environment for students to enhance their skills, get support, and improve their academic performance. Aligned with Abu Dhabi Polytechnic's commitment to all its students, the Learning Centers offer a range of resources and materials in addition to one-on-one consultations in the areas of writing, math, physics, and chemistry. Students can book individual consultations through the booking system link provided on the page for each learning center.

Click here to find out more information:
https://library.adpoly.ac.ae/CustomPage/564

Learning Resource Centre

Students can get access to the up-to-date resources related to their majors.
https://library.adpoly.ac.ae/home

Student Clubs

Student clubs are the place where you can meet the talented peers, and gain innovation and entrepreneurship skills. Feel free to learn more about our Environmental Wellness Club, Innovation Club and Media club in the following link:
https://library.adpoly.ac.ae/CustomPage/565

Innovation Lab

The Innovation Lab at Abu Dhabi Polytechnic is a shared workspace that allows students to “play” with the latest prototyping/ideation tools, explore new subjects, develop technologies, and share knowledge. The space is equipped with state-of-the-art equipment, educational programs, and student mentors from all disciplines.

Students are encouraged to use the Innovation Lab to not only apply what they have learned in the classroom, but also to collaborate with others to develop their own theories, experiments, and projects.

Learn more about the Innovation Lab by clicking this link:
http://www.adpoly.ac.ae/research/