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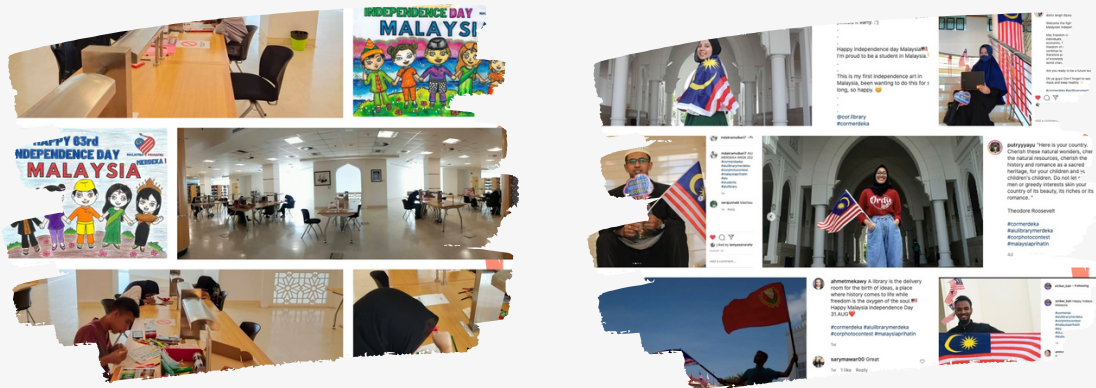
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AIU LIBRARY MERDEKA WEEKS 2020

By Nurul Izzati Sabri

In conjunction of National Day of Malaysia, AIU Library has organized a program called AIU LIBRARY MERDEKA WEEKS 2020. The program started on 24 August 2020 until 4 September 2020. There were five activities conducted for students in an online and offline platform. Photo Contest, Video Contest and Merdeka Quizzes were conducted in the online platform while Colouring Contest and Mini Merdeka Exhibition were conducted offline at the Library building itself. The winners were given the hamper as the prize. Certificates were provided for each participant.

AIU Library strongly feels that this programme will be beneficial to the library users, especially the students. The User's Engagement Activity is one of the mediums or platforms for the students to explore resources, to enrich knowledge, to inspire minds and creativities, and exchange cultures and values. The Library also hopes it will be one of our annual programmes in the future.



The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.

H. JACKSON BROWN, JR

if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain

MQA TRAINING

By Adhara Ahmad

A two-day quality assurance in-house training programme took place from 4 to 5 September 2020 in AIU, for it was a collaborative effort between the Human Resource department and Quality Assurance unit. It was an honour to have Prof Hajah Dr Roziah Mohd Janor as the official trainer for MQA, who has immense years of experience in institutional and programme accreditation, accompanied by the Director of MQA Training Centre, Puan Norasikin binti Yahya.

The main objective behind the training is to get participants to strengthen their knowledge on the essential preparations for Full Accreditation (FA); institutional quality management, managing programme quality and course quality. Apart from fruitful sharing sessions, participants were also actively engaged in interactive group activities and were able to:

- Identify standard statements in COPPA
- Discuss the key focus aspects of seven Areas in COPPA
- Describe levels of standards attainment for all Areas
- Respond to items in Area 1 - Area 7
- Plan the preparation of MQA02 submission

This comprehensive training was designed to provide a deeper understanding of the Code of Practice for Programme Accreditation (COPPA) and Outcome-Based Education (OBE). Along with that, the ins and outs of Monitoring Review and Continually Improving Institutional Quality (MRCIIQ) were also outlined and laid on the second day of the training. The post-training entails action plans from relevant departments and units for the planning and preparation of FA.



AIU OPEN DAY IN TERENGGANU

By Aqilah Anwar

AIU Open Day programme held from 9 September to 12 September in Terengganu, covered the District of Kemaman, Dungun, Kuala Terengganu and Besut. The programme is organized to offer programmes for October 2020 intake for Malaysian students who are academically eligible and entitled for scholarships.

Academic screening and scholarship interviews are conducted simultaneously on the programme. The session were attended by AIU Registrar; YBhg. Prof. Dato' Dr. Mohd Hafiz Yusoff, Director Admission and Academic Management; YBhg. Prof. Dr. Mohd Shakir Md. Saad and Executives of various units and department.



ADMISSION POSTPONEMENT FOR NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS

By Jessica Ong Mei Chan

Albukhary International University (AIU) will postpone its physical Admission Registrations for new and returning students. All admission registrations and classes will be shifted to virtual platforms/online.

This decision is made in line with the official statement issued by the Ministry of Higher Education on 02 October 2020 which had recommended postponement of physical/face-to-face registrations of new and returning students.

STATEMENT ON ADMISSION POSTPONEMENT FOR NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS FOR SEMESTER SESSION 2020/2021 ALBUKHARY INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

In relation to the recent surge in COVID-19 outbreaks throughout Malaysia, Albukhary International University (AIU) has made important decisions for the safety and well-being of the University community. We have planned several contingency scenarios and taking decisive, informed action to limit the spread of COVID-19 while ensuring the continuity of teaching and learning. Hence, the initial physical Admission Registration which is scheduled on 05 October 2020 will be shifted to virtual platform/online. Commencement of all classes on 12 October 2020 will also be conducted via virtual platform/online. This decision is made in line with the official statement issued by the Ministry of Higher Education on 02 October 2020 which had recommended postponement of physical/face to face registrations of new and returning students.

It is our sincerest apologies for any inconvenience caused due to the Admission Postponement. AIU urges that all staff and students to prioritise their safety and the safety of their families and colleagues at all times. This is necessary to minimize the risk of COVID-19 infection among staff and students, and their family members, as well as to ensure safe operation of the University. COVID-19 is a serious public health crisis and we must consider all matters.

We are confident that our authorities are doing their best to arrest the issue. We thank you everyone, for your support and cooperation in ensuring mitigation around these difficult times would be as seamless as possible. We will update on the developments as they arise, and continuous review of all the actions taken.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Admission and Academic Management Department (AAMD) at +604-7747 322 or email to admission@aiu.edu.my.

We extend our best wishes to you and stay safe!

"INSPIRING MINDS"

ADMISSION AND ACADEMIC MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
Albukhary International University (AIU)
02 October 2020

AIU OPEN DAY IN MELAKA

By Maryam Spahic

AIU Open Day Melaka in collaboration with Majlis Agama Islam Melaka, was held on 17 September 2020 at Badan Sukarelawan Al-Taqwa, Bukit Baru Melaka. The event was organised to offer programmes for October 2020 intake for Malaysian students who are eligible for an academic placement and scholarship.

Academic screening and scholarship interviews were conducted simultaneously during the event. It was attended by Director of Admission and Academic Management; Prof. Dr. Mohd Shakir Md Saat and Dean of the School of Business and Social Sciences; Assoc. Prof. Dr. Suraya Hanim Mokhtar.



CONGRATULATIONS!

By Tun Syima

Heartiest Congratulations to Language Centre Students for achieving 5.0 and above in IELTS. And well done to all teachers for the 95% achievement rate. You have made us all proud. Keep up the good work!

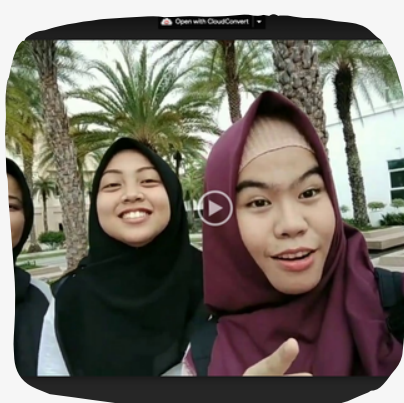
MPU3313 UNITY & PATRIOTISM COURSE MERDEKA PROJECT

By Noorasyikin Mohd Noh

It is important to instil in students with knowledge of their own countries and to make them understand that they are responsible to sustain the nation building. This course forges the values of unity among diverse groups of a nation and to have one focus that is a pride of belongingness to their nations. In conjunction with Merdeka celebration (31 August) and Hari Malaysia (16 September), Cohort 1, School of Business and Social Sciences students, under supervision of Madam Noorasyikin Mohd Noh had initiated e-competition, searching for most creative e-poster and short video. The competition managed to gather participants not only from students of Albukhary University but from other local institution as well. Thank you and congratulation to all participants and winners. All winners will receive e-certificate from the course committee.

Winners:

- e-Poster – Azman Kamil (AIU), Izdihar Maruji (KUIPSAS), Nurin Arshad (UIA), Shazwa Riezam Bin Bahri (ADTEC) and Tiara Sophie (AIU).
- Video – Bintang Astiana (AIU) & Sisterlillah (AIU).



QUICK UPDATE

AMIS V2

By Ismail Hashim

Academic Management Information System (AMIS) user training held on 8 & 9 September 2020.



FOUNDATION STUDIES PROGRESSION TO DEGREE PROGRAMMES

By Jessica Ong Mei Chan

Briefing to Foundation's student on the progression to degree programmes held in Auditorium. The session was led by Prof. Dr. Mohd Shakir Md. Saad.



ONLINE TRAINING

By Tun Syima

Research Sharing Session (ReSS) #10

Research Article Template



Speaker : Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kalthom Husain
School of Education and Human Sciences

11 Sept 2020 | Friday | 10 - 11am



Join Google Meet
Code : gdz-xdku-uox



Albukhary
International

Research Sharing Session (ReSS) #11

How to Publish, Where to Publish



Speaker : Ms. Nurul Aina Johari
School of Education and Human Sciences

25 Sept 2020 | Friday | 10 - 11am



Join Google Meet
Code : nge-xdkc-onn



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International



ASBJ E-JOURNAL

By Abdul Shakur Abdullah

We are proud to announce that we had successfully published our inaugural e-Journal, Vol. 1 Issue 1 Albukhary Social Business Journal.

Feel free to view the Journal via the following ASBJ website at
<http://asbj.aiu.edu.my/vol1issue1june2020>

CALL FOR PAPERS: ALBUKHARY SOCIAL BUSINESS JOURNAL (VOL. 1, ISSUE 2)

By Prof. Ir. Dr. Rizalafande Che Ismail

Greetings from Albukhary Social Business Journal (ASBJ). ASBJ would like to invite you to submit your original manuscript for Vol. 1 Issue 2 which is going to be published by the end of December 2020.

ASBJ is an open-access peer-reviewed journal, published biannually (every June and December) from Albukhary International University (AIU), Malaysia. This journal aims at publishing quality papers in the areas of social business, microfinance, education, social innovation, crowd-funding and other related areas. In this connection, ASBJ harbours empirical study, case study, review paper, conceptual paper, expert's viewpoint and commentary. The key audiences of this journal are educators, poverty and social business researchers, microfinance practitioners and policymakers, and development thinkers.

Publication in this journal is free. We would appreciate receiving your submission before 15 Nov 2020. Manuscripts that fall within the scopes and meet quality expectations will be reviewed by experts. We are proud to announce that we had successfully published our inaugural e-Journal, Vol. 1 Issue 1 Albukhary Social Business Journal.

Feel free to view the Journal via the following ASBJ website at <http://asbj.aiu.edu.my/vol1issue1june2020>



"The secret of getting ahead is getting started."
Walt Disney

I learned that we can do anything,
but we can't do everything...
at least not at the same time.
So think of your priorities
not in terms of what activities
you do, but when you do them.
Timing is everything.

DAN MILLMAN

LC SHOWCASE WALK

By Tun Syima

AU Language Centre students organised a programmed namely LC Showcase Walk which was held on 29 September 2020.

E-certificate were provided for each participant.



TEACHING & DELIVERY SHARING SESSION (TEDSS)

By Tun Syima

Teaching & Delivery Sharing Session (TeDSS) #

Designing Online Blended Learning: Part I

A Blended Learning Overview & Framework



Speaker: Mr. Ildefonso Halipa Jr.
Centre for Foundation Studies

1 Oct 2020 | THURSDAY | 10am - 12pm

Main Classroom Level 1

Teaching & Delivery Sharing Session (TeDSS) was conducted on 1 October 2020 by Mr. Ildefonso Halipa.

The session were attended by AIU academic staff.



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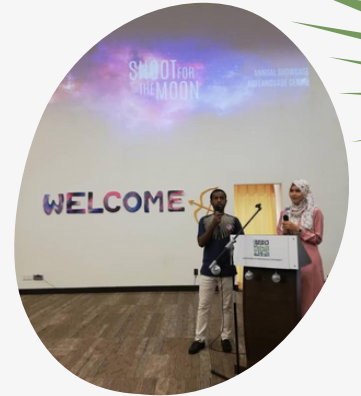
By Sherina Shahnaz

The AIU Language Centre Student Showcase took place from 29 September to 2 October 2020, with the theme "Shoot for the Moon".

The students organised several activities throughout the week including sports matches, a campus walk, musical and cultural performances, poetry recitation, TED talks and interactive games.

The closing ceremony was officiated by Dato' Prof. Abd Aziz Tajuddin, the Vice-Chancellor and President of Albukhary International University, who presented the prizes for the Academic Excellence Awards and Best Progress Award. The 61 Language Centre student also received their Certificates of Completion before progressing on to the undergraduate programmes.

The Showcase ended with a surprise choir performance by the students for the LC teachers. We wish them all the best!



COURTESY VISIT BY VIP

By Tun Syima

7 October 2020 - The Vice Chancellor and President received a courtesy visit from Versatile Investment Partnership (VIP). VIP is a Consulting Agency in Financial Checkup, Wealth Creation, Education Plan and Retirement Plan. The session were attended by Madam Fatin Abdullah (Wealth Solution Advisor), Madam Ainol Mardhiah Darus (Wealth Solution Advisor) and Mr. Hafizuhairi Hasin @ Hashim (Islamic Estate Planner) from VIP. We are looking forward to hosting a programme in the near future.



ASBJ LISTED IN MYJOURNAL & GOOGLE SCHOLAR

By Prof. Ir. Dr. Rizalafande Che Ismail

ASBJ journal has now been officially listed in MyJournal managed by Malaysian Citation Centre (MCC), Ministry of Higher Education Malaysia and Google Scholar.

Full version can be browsed here at <http://www.myjournal.my/public/browse-journal-view.php?id=841>



COURTESY VISIT BY NAZKIDS

By Tun Syima

15 October 2020 - AIU received a courtesy visit from Miss Baitulhusna and her sister. They are from Nazkids. Nazkids located in Jitra, Kedah is a Social Entrepreneur, empowering women in Kedah by creating brand of traditional baby clothing and different types of mask. Giving job opportunity and free training to local young woman through sewing and entrepreneurship.

Also present during the session were AIU Vice Chancellor and President; Prof. Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz Tajuddin, AIU Deputy Vice Chancellor; Prof. Ir. Dr. Rizalafande Che Ismail, AIU Registrar; Prof. Dato' Dr. Mohd Hafiz Yusoff, Dean School of Business and Social Sciences; Assoc. Prof. Dr. Suraya Hanim Mokhtar and Lecturer from School of Business and Social Sciences; Dr. Kamalesh Ravesangar.



AIU PARTICIPATION IN IUB WEBINAR

By Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kalthom Husain



5 October 2020 - Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) had extended an invitation to Albukhary International University (AIU) to their Webinar Higher Education entitled “Responses, Challenges, and Solutions during Covid-19”. IQAC IUB had invited too, Taylor’s University in Kuala Lumpur, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, North South University to participate in the online discussion.

AIU was represented by Associate Professor Dr. Kalthom Husain, Head of Media and Communication from School of Education and Human Sciences (SEHS) was invited as special guest speaker in the webinar.

The Covid 19 pandemic has shuttered economies around the world has also battered education systems in developing and developed countries. On that note, this webinar is to discuss the challenges of Higher Education in the context of Covid 19, to discuss how to address challenges, and also share ideas on how to build more resilient Higher Education systems.

The pandemic has forced universities to bring their courses online. This is just one step along the road to a new educational paradigm. The webinar today therefore focuses on exploring solutions.

Dr Kalthom mentioned that the educational solution to this multidimensional crisis requires a concerted and multilateral approach. At the end of this webinar, solutions mentioned and shared include:

- access to quality Internet at a very affordable cost
- insisted on the digital inclusion and equity dimension
- interventions carried out must reduce the digital divide
- establishment of online resources to aid teaching and learning
- establishment of a real culture of online training and distance education simultaneously with the reinforcement of techno-pedagogical capacities of the lecturers.

WEEK OF WELCOME (WOW)

By Mohamad Nor Hisyam Musa and Nurhafieza Md Hanifah



Albukhary International University recently held its Week of Welcome (WOW) from 5th until 9th October 2020. This programme was organized in two methods of approach online and physical. The total of 107 students are participants in this programme.

This time, WOW has been scheduled well it is started by given slot for Puncak Perkhidmatan Kompleks (PPK) on the first day to talk about facility and cleanliness. On the second and third day, students have townhall delivered by Deputy Vice Chancellor (DVC), Registrar's Office (RO), Admission and Academic Management Department (AAMD), Student Affairs (SA) and course briefing with schools School of Business and Social Science (SBSS), & School of Education and Human Science (SEHS).

On the last day, the Oath Taking Ceremony has officially enunciated all Centre of Foundation Studies (CFS) & Language Centre (LC) students progression to Undergraduate Program (UGP). The highlighted slot, WOW culture show "Freshmen Rising Star" held at Convocation Hall, 16 performers have shown their talent and certificate were given to the best participant and performance during the WOW.



CFS CLOSING CEREMONY

By Ildefonso Halipa

It's a celebration of success, gratitude and talents for the Centre For Foundation students who have just completed their 2019/2020 academic year. The ceremony among others witnessed award presentations, speeches and various of performances by the students.

We wish you all the best in your future undertakings.



THE ART OF THE PITCH TRAINING

By Assoc. Prof. Dr. Suraya Hanim Mokhtar



The Hult Prize Committee in campus is organizing a talk The Art of the Pitch Training "Tell A Story Before You Can Sell A Story" with CEO Nazkids, Miss Baitulhusna Zamri.

The Hult Prize is a worldwide student competition that challenges university teams to solve the most pressing global issues with viable business ideas. AIU students will participate in the 2021 Hult Prize challenge. The challenge for this year is "Food for Good" Transforming food into a vehicle for change.

The committee has created their official social media for this competition:

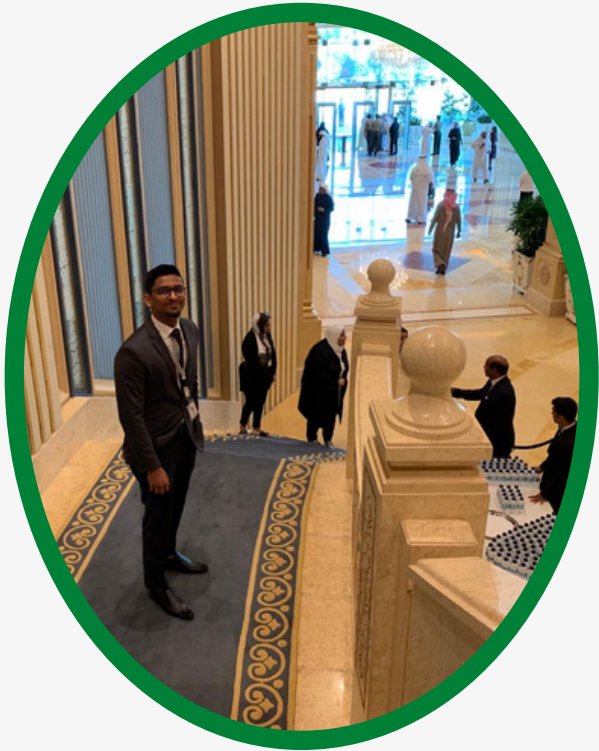
Instagram: @hultprizeaiu

Facebook: Hult Prize AIU



GET TO KNOW ALBUKHARY SCHOLAR

By Abdul Shakur Abdullah



I am Aumed Jawaideen from Sri Lanka, completed bachelors at Asia Pacific University in Malaysia through Albukhary Scholarship. Alhamdulillah thanks to Almighty Allah, Tan Sri Syed Mokhtar Albukhary and all good souls connected with this.

Currently, I am working as a Brand Director at KAFO (Kuwait's Achievers for Future Opportunities). It is an initiative by Al-Diwan Al-Amiri Kuwait. KAFO is the first national platform in Kuwait to showcase achievers to ease the process of searching, connecting and collaborating with young achievers.

I have no words to explain how Albukhary Scholarship has helped me in life, not just financially, but has given me a beautiful and purposeful life. I learnt lots of things beyond education when I was at Albukhary International University. Each of my friend's story at University was an inspiration and we were like one big family sharing knowledge, love and humanitarian values with each other. The diversity has taught me many important things in life. Most importantly, would say we all should keep trying to spread love and help humanity in any possible ways because this form of giving to others will always make a way and have good impacts in our personal life in this world and hereafter.

As a form of giving and community engagement, currently, I am a Volunteer Supervisor at Spread the Passion, a volunteering NGO based in Kuwait. The key principles in life that I stick to follow is; not to hurt anyone intentionally, give respect to every individual no matter of the difference, have a pure source of income and keep sharing with what you can.

For current students of AIU, I would simply say, you are at one of the best moments in life. Stick to the core values of Albukhary, it is definitely going to turn out to reach great levels in life. Don't stop until you make significant changes and generous contributions to society.

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