

## **Accounting and Information Systems**

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#### Message from the Department

#### **Accounting and Information Systems**



Greetings from the Accounting and Information Systems department. It is my pleasure to report that this newsletter is filled with celebration and success, including awards for our outstanding students and faculty.

Our department has been recognized nationally and internationally for excellence in research and teaching. This year, our faculty have received several awards both from Qatar University and from different organizations for high impact research, teaching, and service. We are quite certain that through collaborative efforts and hard work we can achieve what we are looking for. I hope that you enjoy the information in this newsletter. We truly appreciate hearing from you and look forward to featuring you in the future issues.

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Thank you,

Dr. Mostafa Kamal Hasan Head of Accounting and Information Systems Department











## **Accounting Programs**

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Bachelor and Master of **Accounting** are two unique degrees being offered by department of accounting and information systems. The excellence of bachelor (BBA) degree is a dynamic in a way to reflect contextual changes in Qatar, professional and international societies. It taught array of accounting courses designed to offer outstanding skills encompass critical thinking, solving problems, effective communication, using information technology and awareness of ethical and global issues. This uniqueness is professionally endorsed and accredited by IMA, ACCA, CIMA and CPA.

By complementary, Master of Accounting (MAC) is a highly specialized program offer a state of the art of advanced knowledge and skills. It provides candidates high level of technical, financial and managerial skills essential to get access to upper managerial and financial positions that operating in rapid evolving and complex business environment. The MAC courses are designed to provide cutting-edge knowledge, develop entrepreneurial and leadership skills; and enable career development. This uniqueness enables graduates either interested in developing academic career through pursuing Doctorate degree or gaining more expertise through joining higher positions in industry.



The accounting department at Qatar University has provided me with the best possible experience at Qatar University! I have had multiple opportunities, which have benefitted me both professionally and personally. The courses have prepared me well, as they have both theory and practical aspects, which have helped us all, apply our knowledge and have a holistic view of the accounting world. Overall, the accounting program, especially the faculty, have pushed us to achieve our goals and I am beyond grateful! Yara Zeyad Ali, BBA Accounting Student









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According to Times Higher Education, Qatar University was ranked within the best 500 universities in the world and the CBE is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) that attracted me to join the Accounting program. Really, I believe that this program enhanced my accounting knowledge on and gave me the opportunity to engage in several activities and be part of the Accounting female club, which, with no doubt, has refined my academic, practical, and social skills. Lubna Hamada, BBA Accounting Fresh Graduate

When I first majored in the Accounting program at Qatar University, I learned how to best invest in my own personal potential and how I could spend the time and effort to get the best results, building on my own scientific and personal skills. It also taught me that the brain is the human's asset that is used to get the return on human capital and, further, taught me the opportunity cost to forego what I want today for what I aspire for tomorrow. It taught me how to use my efforts and knowledge to keep my liabilities. I learned how to review my actions by comparing them with what they should have been to achieve success. I learned from accounting specialization, that my life is an accounting equation, with human being the capital + everyone gave us the opportunity to move forward = the brain and mindset that will build the homeland. Accounting is a lifestyle. So be different, be an accountant. Refaa Hassan Al-Qahtani, BBA Accounting Graduate

Accounting is one of the most important majors in Qatar. It is the language of business and the core of every organisation. I am proud to be one of the outstanding students who studied accounting in Qatar University, which qualified me to work in State of Audit Bureau. In addition, I have won the Excellence Award – Platinum Medal and that proves how strong the Accounting program at Qatar University. All thanks go for the Faculty members who taught during my learning experience at the College. Amna Saleh AlMannai, BBA Accounting Graduate

The Master of Accounting (MAC) program was extremely beneficial in advancing my knowledge in the subject matter both academically and in my job as an analyst. The diversity of the courses offered fed the diversity of thought amongst many students and acted as a catalyst to the level of expertise obtained throughout the course of studying in the program. The program acknowledges and integrates the different subfields related to the accounting subject rather than focusing on a narrower perspective. It also highlights international accounting issues and incorporates recent topics of importance in the accounting field such as cyber security, risk management, data analytics and others. This fosters the students' knowledge in many aspects of the accounting discipline and improves their interpersonal, managerial, technical, and analytical skills. Hence, the MAC program truly bridges the gap between theory and practice and ensures the student graduates with the skills needed to enter the industry. Yara Basil Jallad, MAC Student









#### **MIS Programs**

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#### **MIST Students Placing First on the Power of Analytics Business Case Competition**

MIS students Saad Al Kuwari, Mubarak Belal, and Ahmed Elhag Placed first on the Business Case Competition "The Power of Analytics," held on November 24th at the Research Complex and sponsored by Qatar Airways, the Entrepreneurship Center, and Career Services. Qatar Airways presented the students with a case on flight entertainment and challenged them to use business analytics on customer data to propose a solution that would enrich the customer experience while increasing revenue and reducing cost. The MIS students showed exceptional critical thinking skills and impressed all four judges with their creativity. Carnegie Mellon University in Qatar placed Second and Third.











Student responses were overwhelmingly positive on the event. They extremely appreciated the opportunity to compete on a real world problem and to interact with Qatar Airways to better understand their business.

#### ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION WITH INDUSTRY

The MIS Female club organized a panel discussion with industry to discuss how best to prepare for a future in Analytics. The Ministry of Development Planning and Statistics and SAP software company joined students and faculty in a discussion on the importance of Analytics for all business majors and how humans can collaborate with machines for a better future.















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## MIST Students from Enterprise Systems, Internet Applications Development and Project Management Competing at the MIST End of Year Competition

During Spring 2019, students from MIST 460 – IT Project Management were set in groups to manage student development projects in MIST 331– Enterprise Systems and MIST 431 – Internet Application Development. Groups made up of project managers and mobile or web application developers competed on a system for Career Development Center to mange jobs and internship opportunities. Six groups competed and judges from Microsoft and Qatar Development Bank along side Career Development evaluated the student projects. The following students won on the competition

First Place

Abdul Rahman Alahbabi, Ahmed Al Haj, Mohamed Al Obaidli, Mohammad Hammad, Osama Mousa, Gene Solanzo, Umair Zaman

Second Place Lolwa Al Harbi

Third Place

Hend Al Emadi, Joudy Al Kassar, Maha BinAli, Nada Hatahet







#### Aligning the MIST Curriculum with Current Industry Trends

The MIST Academic Program Review Committee is now reviewing the MIS curriculum. Dr. Khaled El-Share is forming an MIS Industry Advisory Board with representation from high profile companies from Doha in an effort to align the curriculum with industry trends











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#### **Public Key Infrastructure Session and Workshop**

Dr. Mazen Al Masri organized a student session and workshop on Qatar's coming Public Key Infrastructure that will insure the confidentiality, authentication and integrity of digital transactions for local enterprises and residents. The session was scheduled on April 11th and was conducted by Mr. Chihebeddine Mbarek a PKI Consultant at the Ministry of Transport and Communication. The workshop will be held on May first where students will get first-hand experience with PKI technology.









## Intellectual Contribution Impact

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2018: 19 Proceedings

2018: 56 Publications

2018: 3 Books/ Chapters

Intellectual Contribution Impact

#### Most read papers from this title

LAST 7 DAYS LAST YEAR

Extending the UTAUT model to understand the customers' acceptance and use of internet banking in Lebanon : A structural

Published Online: Nov 2016 Volume: 29, Issue: 4, pp. 830-849

- An article published by Dr. Mazen Al Masri has been the most read/downloaded paper in the journal IT & People for the year 2018. It is also in the top 10 list for the most cited papers in last year.
- Dr. Hani Kamel is appointed as a Member of the Editorial Review Board of an international refereed journal called International Journal of Business and Systems Research (IJBSR).(September 2018- September 2022).









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Welcome to Dr. Habib Mahama who joined the department as a Professor in Accounting.

Prof. Habib Mahama earned his PhD (Accounting) at the University of New South Wales (Australia) and is a Chartered Accountant with The Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CAANZ). Prior to joining Qatar University in January 2019, he held academic positions at the United Arab Emirates University; the Australian National University: the University of New South Wales, the University of Southampton, and the University of Cape Coast.. He was an academic visitor at the University of Oxford, Central Florida University, University of Waikato, King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals, and Guangzhou University. He serves on the editorial boards of Journal of Management Accounting Research, Behavioral Research in Accounting, Qualitative Research in Accounting and Management, the Journal of Accounting and Organizational Change, Meditari Accountancy Research, Journal of Economic and Administrative Science, and PSU Research Review. Habib's research interest is in management accounting and control. Habib has published his research output in leading internationally recognized academic journals/books. He has received research grant from both internal and external sources. He has been a recipient of a number of research awards.

Welcome to four new teaching assistants who joined the department as TA for Accounting.

Ms. Aisha Al Heiduos is a graduate in MSc Accounting from Bangar Business School, Bangar University in UK. Her MSc thesis paper titled "The Impact of Oil Price Shocks on Full Service and Low Cost Carriers."

Ms. Amal Al Ammari is a graduate in MSc International Accounting and Finance from Aston Business School. Aston University in UK. She graduated with distinction and her MSc thesis paper titled "Strategic, Financial and Business Valuation of Ted Baker Plc." She was also awarded the MSc in International Accounting and Finance prize for the best academic achievement in the program.

Ms. Fatima Al Yafei She received her MSc in Accounting from university of Toledo, USA.

Ms. Sara Al Dosari She received her MSc in Accounting degree from The University of Manchester, United Kingdom. Her MSc research thesis was about testing the Maieutic Machine in Finance business partnering to create shareholders' value under the conditions of uncertainty – A case study of Qatargas.









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Congratulation to Dr. Emad Abushanab for his promotion as a Professor in MIS.

Dr. Emad Abushanab earned his PhD in business administration, in the MIS area from Southern Illinois University – Carbondale, USA, his MBA from Wilfrid Laurier University in Canada, and his Bachelor in civil engineering from Yarmouk University (YU) in Jordan. He is an associate professor in MIS. His research interest in areas like E-government, technology acceptance, Emarketing, E-CRM, Digital divide, IT project management, and E-learning. Published many articles in journals and conferences, and authored three books in e-government. Dr. Abu-Shanab worked as an assistant dean for students' affairs, quality assurance officer in Oman, and the director of Faculty Development Center at YU. He was the MIS Department Chair for the year 2015/2016, and now he is an associate professor in the Accounting & Information Systems Department, College of Business & Economics, at Qatar University.



Congratulation to Dr. Ghassan Al Mardini for his promotion as an Associate Professor in Accounting.

He has been a faculty member at QU since 2012 after his PhD graduation from Dundee University in the UK in the same year. During his PhD, he works as teaching assistant in St. Andrews University, Dundee University and Perth College from 2010-2012 to undergraduate and postgraduate level. His research interests are financial accounting, international accounting standards, corporate governance, auditing and accounting education. Dr. Ghassan has several publications in wellrecognized international peer-reviewed accounting specialist journals such as "Accounting Research Journal", "International Journal of Accounting, Auditing and Performance Evaluation", "Journal of Accounting in emerging economies" and "Journal of Applied Accounting Research". In 2016, he awarded YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD of 2016 - Venus International Foundation - Asian-Pacific & India.



Congratulation to Dr. Mazen El Masri for his promotion as an Associate Professor in MIS. Prof. Mazen El-Masri earnt his PhD in business administration (Management Information Systems) from HEC Montreal, Canada. He received his Master's degree in Computer Science from Concordia University, Canada and a Bachelor in Computer Science from Lebanese American University, Lebanon. He teaches IT project Management and Business Analytics and is interested in teaching big data analytics, data management, and computer algorithms. His research is diverse but

often touches on design science, action research, project management, social media, gamification, analytics, and artificial intelligence.









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Dr. Ramzi El-Haddadeh, under the leadership of Prof. Nitham Hindi, received two QNRF grant

awards for cycle 10 and 11. Project titles are "A Platform to Promote Entrepreneurship for Women in Qatar Through International Collaboration and Co-Innovation" with the project budget of \$487,394.00 and "A Road Map for Next Generation Financial Services in Qatar: Developing Use Cases, Policies and Governance Mechanisms for Implementing Blockchain Technology" with the project budget of \$387,244.00.

#### **CBE Achievement Awards 2018**

Congratulation to Dr. Emad Awadallah, Dr. Husam Aldamen and Ms. Reham Subhi for receiving 2018 CBE Achievement Awards.



Faculty members during the Award ceremony



Congratulations to Dr. Mazen el Masri and his team for winning QNRF award grant for cluster track of 11<sup>th</sup> cycle. Project titled "A Secure End-to-End Blockchain-Based Solution to Finance Trade: The Legal, Technological, and Economic Framework", comprises six sub-projects from multiple local research institutions and research-end-users, and focuses on developing innovative solutions based on blockchain technology to tackle issues faced by

Qatar's banking and Fintech industries. Dr. Mazen's team is composed of Professor Karma Sherif, Dr. Lanouar Charfeddine and Dr. Karim Al-Yafi.



On Dr. Osama Abdel Latif appeared on a TV show "Hatha Al-Sabah" for Al Jazeera channel where he talked about Accounting and future of Accounting as a profession.









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Dr. Husam Aldamen Also received University's Teaching Excellence Award.

He also appeared on the Al Jazeera TV in an hour long program that focused on flipped classroom method.



Dr. Hani Kamel have been invited as a Honorary Visiting Fellow at the School of Management,

Bradford University, UK during April 2018.



Dr. Emad Awadallah was a Key Speaker for a Seminar organized and sponsored by the Institute of Internal Auditors – Qatar Chapter. The seminar was titled Fraud Detection in Digital Enterprises and was organized in Jan. 2018. The event appeared in two newspapers:

- Qatar Tribune newspaper. (January 28, 2018).
- Gulf Times Community newspaper. (February 7, 2018).









# Department & Student Club Activities

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"Ramadan gathering" event was organized by Students Accounting Club as an annual Ramadan event. The faculty and students participated in several religious and heritage activities. The event was a revival of old Qatari customs and traditions such as local songs, Garangao, popular Ramadan dishes and other traditions.















**Students Accounting Club** visited the Elderly home "Ehsan". This visit aims to achieve the goal of social responsibility for the club and stand by one of the most important members of the community, and communicate with them as their children and bring joy to their hearts.











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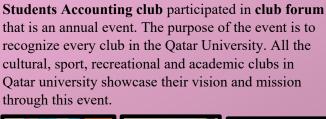


The visit to an Qatar school was arranged by the **Students Accounting Club** to increase the awareness among high school students about the accounting specialization and the demand of accounting graduates in the Qatar industry. The visit also contributed in correcting students' misconception and improve their impression about the accounting field by playing some educational games.





























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Qarary campaign is a youth awareness campaign launched from Qatar National Library in cooperation with Nama Center and others. The campaign aims at educating young people about the importance of selecting disciplines that will enable them to achieve the desired career success in their lives.















#### Class of 2018

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## Spring 2018 Masters of Accounting

Ahmed Maher Alzaeem Asmaa Almuhannadi Dina A. Masoud Ekram Sinan Alhajaji Maryam Yahia Almadhoun Noora Hamad Al-Suwaidi

#### **BBA Accounting**

Abdelrahman Hussain Abdulla Ahmed Al Katheeri Abdulla Ali A Alyahri Alyafei Abdulrahman Al-khater Abdulrahman Zain Alsenani Aber Ali Mirzaie Aftab Mohd Idris Ahmed Saleh Al-Keyari Aisha Mohamed Al-Sayed Aisha Mohammed Hussain Aisha Saad AL-Meraikhi Alaa Abdalla Zistagi Alanood Fahad Mohamed Alanoud Abdulaziz Alvafei Alanoud Waleed AL-Bastaki Albandari Saeed Al-Fehaida Aldana Salmeen Al-Shahwani Al-hanoof Khaled Al-obadi Ali Gamal Al Suraimi Ali Mohammed Al-saved Ali Nasser Alboursheid Ali Salem Al Adbi

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Abdulrahman Salah Nasser
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Alreem Rashid Almarri
Aysha Hussain F S Al-kuwari
Hasan Ali Anan
Lahcene Imad Erredir
Maryam Abdulsalam Al-Ajji
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Shaikha Khalifa Al-Sowaidi Shaikha Al-Mohannadi Shamma Adel Alselaiteen Taqiudeen Faraj Hfaf Tefla Fahad Al-Kaabi Turkan Mohammad Ali Alshaibi Wadha Abdulla Al-Kaabi Wadha Mohammed Al-Naimi Wadha Saeed Al-Qoz Youssef Ibrahim Alshaikh Zainab Ali Al-khayat

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Amer Al Dheeb
Iman Ahmed Hassan
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Rana Y. K. Abushahla



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