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## **Message from the Department**

We feel very proud and privileged to be members of Accounting Information Systems Department. Our department is renowned for its friendly and innovative environment: marketoriented and challenging academic programs and picturesque connections professional with institutes. The department always strives to shape and empower students with innovative areas that reflect the market and industry needs, regionally and internationally. Students are offered programs with recent market trends in the fields of accounting and information systems. On behalf of the Accounting department of Information Systems, the head of the department and website committee would like to welcome you to the first issue of the ACCT & IS newsletter. Our newsletter is a symbol of department's interaction with the Qatar University Business students, regional international professional community and Qatar society.

Prof. Mostafa Kamal Hassan

Head of Accounting & Information

Systems Department

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# Congratulations to the AIS Department class of 2016.

The department members congratulate both undergraduate and postgraduate students for completing their studies and earning their Bachelor in Accounting, Bachelor **Management Information Systems** and Master in Accounting during 2016. Faculty and staff wish the department graduates all the best in their future careers.





# Students' testimonials



#### **Husam Alashi**

"Accounting and Information
Systems department is doing
a great job by providing
excellent support to the
students" said Husam Alashi .
The department minor in MIS
was an excellent choice to
support my Accounting
studies. The department is
progressing well over the
time and also recognizing the
needs of the students."

#### Nesma Salim

"Accounting and Information systems department is one of the best departments in the college when it comes to providing the knowledge", said Nesma Salim. The department has distinguished faculty members who are professionally qualified and well experienced. The department has perfectly designed its curriculum that enhances student's skills".

#### Asala Alaa

"Accounting and information systems is the most distinctive department in CBE, includes a band of best faculty members that have the knowledge, experience, and professionalism" said Asala Alaa. The department prepares the students to join the industry and start their careers, not only through the tailored curriculum but also by bridging the gap between academic studies and the real world business activities".

# Students' testimonials



رأيي عن القسم أنه يعمل بكفاءة ولصالح طلبة المحاسبة من خلال دراستي للمحاسبة أصبحت قادرا على إعداد القوائم المالية ومعرفة عناصرها وتدقيقها.

مصطفی حارت



الخطة لقسم المحاسبة جميلة وإن شاء الله تكون الاستفادة أكثر لنا بعد التخرج، أما بالنسبة للاستفادة الحالية بشكل عام جيدة حيث تعلمنا احتياجات التخصص وسوق العمل وما هي الشهادات والدورات التي نحتاجها في المستقبل.

يوسف المهيزع



يعتبر قسم المحاسبة ونظم المعلومات من وجهه نظري اساس كلية الأداره لما يحتويه من مواد دراسية مهمة للطالب مما يساعده للاستعداد لسوق العمل.

فيصل باوزير

# Department Activities





# Research and conference contribution

During 2016, the department members contributed 35 published papers in international reputable journals, 32 presentations in international conferences and secured a number of research grants to carry a number of research projects in the area of accounting and management information systems. Samples of these contributions is presented in the following pages.



## Journal publications

International journal of Organization Analysis,

Prof. Hassan, M. K

Journal Of System Frontiers Dr. Abu-Shanab, E.

Afro-Asian Journal of Finance and Accounting

Dr. Mardini, G, H

Inofrmation Technology and People Dr. El-Masri, M

International Journal of Productivity and Performance Management Dr. Khan, H. U.

International Scientific Researches
Journal

Dr. Abu-Abbas, B.

Managerial Auditing journal Dr. Aldamen, H.

Managerial Auditing Journal Dr. Al-janadi, Y. Dr. Alzzani, A.

International Journal of Knowledge Managemnt studies.

Dr. Anam, A. O.

Journal of Enterprise Information Management

Prof. Fadlalla, A

Journal of Organisational Studies and Innovation

Dr. El-Sayed N

International Journal Of Business in Society

Dr. Elgharbawy, A

International Journal Of Managerial and Financial Accounting

Dr. Mohammad, A.

International Journal Of Hospitality Management

Dr. Kamel, H

Internatial Journal Of Accounting Information Systems

Dr. Elbashir, M. Z.

VINE Journal Of Info and Knowledge Management

Prof. Sherif, K.

# Conferences

Global Emerging Scholars Research
Dr. Anam, A. O. (USA)

American Accounting Association

Dr. Aldamen, H (USA)

Southwest Decision Sciences Institute
Dr. Mardini, G,H. (USA)

The Midwest Economics Association Dr. Elgharbawy, A. H (USA)

Asia Pasific Management Accounting
Association

Dr. Alzzani, A. Dr. Al-janadi, Y (Taiwan)

Mrs. Wadi, R. (Taiwan)

39th Annual Congress Of the European Accounting Association
Dr. Elbashir, M (Netherlands)
Dr. Ammar, S. (Netherland)

international Business Conference
Dr. El-Sayed N (UK)

International Conference on Information Technology Based Higher Education and Training

Dr. Khan, H, U. (USA)

Decision Science Institute Dr. Awadallah, E. A. (USA)

International Conference for Internet Technology and Secured Transactions, IEEE.

Dr. Alomari M, K. (Spain)

AAA. Government and Nonprofit Section
Dr. EL Abdulkarim, M (USA)

American Conference On Info System Dr. EL-Haddadeh, R. (USA)

COMSCET 2016

Dr. Abu-Shanab, E. (Malaysia)



# IMA visit to the Department





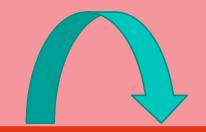


IMA is the worldwide
association of accountants and
financial professionals working
in the business world. The IMA
is committed to more than
80,000 members all over the
world to expand their
professional skills and enhance
their career.

In November, student activities committee organized an event where a team from the institute of Management Accountants (IMA) conducted a seminar, separately for male and female audience. A large number of faculty and students attended the event.

# IMA Presentation Covers:





- Introduction to Institute of Management Accountant (IMA)
- •The Certified Management Accountants (CMA) credential and its value.
- •The CMA scholarship program for students.
- IMA Student Membership and the discounted fees.
- •Student Case Competition.
- Annual Student Conference in the USA.



Additionally, the IMA team discussed other good opportunities with the Accounting faculty members such as Campus Advocate Program, Students Chapter, Student Grant Program, and Research Program.



IMA member responding to students enquires



Department of Accounting and Information Systems

#### Research Seminar



Dr. Kareem Darwish
Senior Scientist at the Arabic Language Technologies at QCRI

Dr. Mazen El-Masri

Assistant Professor at Qatar University

Title: Computer Science Meets Social Science

When: Monday, December 5, 2016

Where: CBE Building Room C 219 at 12:30

# Guest Speaker

In December, the department had a guest speaker, Dr. Kareem Darwish from Arabic Language Technologies at QCRI. He presented a seminar on the topic of "Computer science meets Social Science".

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Seminars



Our faculty members have presented a number of research seminars throughout the year. The seminars addressed topics such as applying international accounting education standards, performance-pay interrelationship, user-centric evaluation in government service in Qatar and task selection of accountants. The list of seminars' presenters is as follows:



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Research Seminar



Dr. Nader Elsayed
Department of Accounting and Information
Systems

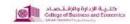
Title: Does pay influence performance more or

does performance influence pay more?

When: Wednesday, December 21, 2016

Where: CBE Building Room A 114 at 12:30





Department of Accounting and Information Systems

Research Seminar



Dr. Osama Abdel Latif Mah'd Faculty of Accounting

Title: Applying International Accounting Education

Standards in GCC Universities and Factors Affecting
the Application

When: Wednesday, December 14, 2016

Where: CBE Building Room A 114 at 12:30

# Seminars





Department of Accounting and Information Systems

#### Research Seminar



Shahriar M. Saadullah, PhD, CPA Faculty of Accounting

Title: Task Selection of Accountants

When: Wednesday, December 7, 2016

Where: CBE Building Room A111 at 12:30





Department of Accounting and Information Systems

#### Research Seminar



Dr. Karim Al-Yafi

Faculty of Management Information Systems

Title: An Empirical User-Centric Evaluation of e-Government Services in the GCC Region: Case of State of Qatar

When: Wednesday, December 7, 2016

Where: CBE Building Room A111 at 12:30







In December, an educational trip to MAZARS Audit firm was arranged for the male and female students of Accounting major. Dr. Emad Awadallah, Associate professor in Accounting, supervised this trip. On behalf of ACCT and IS department, we are thankful to Mr. Hatem Elsafty (Mazars Partner, GRIC) and Mr. Ahmed Ali (Mazars Senior Auditor) for welcoming our students and conducting this educational trip. The students were introduced to the office hierarchy of an Auditing Firm, services provided by Mazars and methodologies used when auditing a financial statement. Two different sessions were presented separately, one for the group of 18 female students and second for the group of 18 male students. In addition to Mazars visit, the female group also visited KPMG Auditing firm, that is one of the big four auditing firms in the world. The students deemed this visit very beneficial as they could the see the application of the practical auditina methodologies by the local auditing firms in Qatar.

## STUDENT'S VIEWS ABOUT KPMG TRIP

كانت الرحلة أكثر من رائعة استطعنا من خلالها التعرف على المحاسبة والتدقيق ومحالاتها في سوق العمل بالإضافة الى التعرف على الشركة وانشطتها. وحققنا الهدف الذي كنا نسعى إلىه ألا وهو ربط المحتوي الأكاديمي يسوق العمل، وذلك من خلال الاستماع والنقاش وأخذ النصائح مع اشخاص ذوي خبرة عالية في محال المحاسبة والتدقيق ومعرفة المستقبل الوظيفي لتخصص المحاسبة

رفعة القحطاني

من خلال زيارتي اليوم اكتسبت الكثير من المعلومات عن الشركة وعن عملية المراجعة بشكل عام من اشخاص ذوي خبرة واسعة في هذا المجال وايضاً تشجعت كثيرا لمعرفة المزيد عنه في المستقبل ان شاء الله، لذا أودّ ان اشكر جميع المنظمين لهذه الزيارة.

داليا رياض الزبيدي

زادت زيارتي اليوم للشركة من معلوماتي فيما يخص المحاسبة والتدقيق. حيث قام الفريق بجولة. وانطلقت جولتنا الاولى بالتعرف على الأقسام الموجودة في الشركة، ثم انتقلنا إلى التطرق فيما يخص المحاسبة والتدقيق وما يتعلق بهما والمعايير التي تتبعهما.

نورة المري

Stote Audit Bureou





Another exciting trip was organized by Dr. Yaseen Al Janadi, Assistant professor in Accounting, to State Audit Bureau (SAB) in Qatar for the students of Government Accounting Course. The trip was aimed at bridging the classroom knowledge of Government Accounting concepts to the practical applications of the real business world. The SAB provided the students with valuable information on the government accounting procedures in Qatar and the audit system for the government sector. We are grateful to the staff of SAB for all their hard efforts they spent with our students. The SAB staff provided four seminars conducted by four SAB manager in different auditing areas. Around 120 female students attended this visit over 2 days and their response was tremendous.

## STUDENT'S VIEWS ABOUT SAB TRIP



كانت زيارة ديوان المحاسبة ممتعة وقيمة استفدنا منها من خلال التعرف على ديون المحاسبة وكيفية الرقابة على كلاً من القطاع الحكومي والقطاع الاقتصادي وصلاحيات الديوان بعد صدور القانون الجديد لديوان المحاسبة كما تعرفنا على بعض الاختلافات س المحاسبة الحكومية والمحاسبة في الجهات التجارية ومقارنتها مع الوارد في مقرر المحاسبة

رفعة القحطاني

الحكومية.

من خلال زيارتنا لديوان المحاسبة، أدركنا أهمية ودور ديوان المحاسبة وعمله مع مختلف القطاعات وما هي اهدافهم المستقبلية، كما اكتسبنا العديد من المهارات ومن اهمها معرفه طبيعة عمل المدققين بشكل مهني في دولة قطر.

ايمان عوض

في يوم الاحد الموافق 12/4/2016 ذهبت لزياره ميدانيه لديوان المحاسبة، وقدت استفدت استفاده كبيره من خلال زيارتي وتعرفت على عده امور ومن اهمها التعرف على اقسام ديوان المحاسبه ونظام الرقابه وانواع الرقاية المتبعة من قبل الديوان ومن اهمها مراقبه الاداء ورقابه الالتزام، رقابه تكنولوجيا المعلومات والعديد من الانواع الاحري، كما تعرفنا على عده امور تتعلق بالتدقيق الداخلي والحارجي ايضاً .

آمنه المناعي

# Teaching Innovation

### **Review Game:**

An innovative educational game was designed to review the course scientific materials in an interesting manner. The game rules were: 1) forming two teams of six students each, 2) allow teams to compete against each other in solving questions from three categories 3) a team gains 3 points if they are able to answer the question in less than one minute or otherwise earns 2 points, 4) teams are allowed to consult the textbook or seek help from other students siting as audience in the class. Students participated in this game were awarded a certificates of participation. Dr. Ghassan Mardini and Dr. Ousama Mah'd, both Assistant professors in Accounting, organized and run the educational game with support from Prof. Mostafa Hassan - Head of the Department.





The Students Accounting Club along with accounting faculty members organized and carried out several activities for the Business College students. Highlights from few events are as follows:





Noor Shams is an accounting student. She prepared the mentioned presentation (in Arabic) for the students of College of Business and Economics.

# The Event of Accounting BBQ Day - Prepared by Female Accounting Club

The Accounting Barbecue Day was a fun and entertaining activity that was arranged by female Accounting Club. The Dean of Business College, Dr. Khaled Shams also attending and appreciated the event. The event was an excellent opportunity to faculty members and students have an interactive learning experience outside class rooms. Faculty also played some exciting games that were enjoyable and stress reliever for them. Below is the video link with highlights from the event.



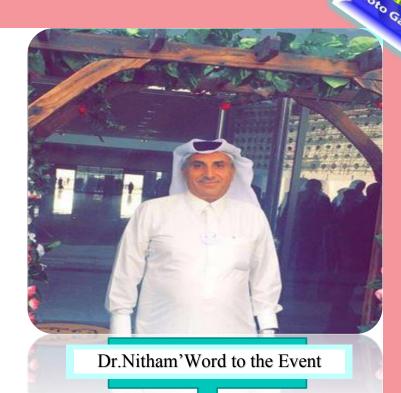
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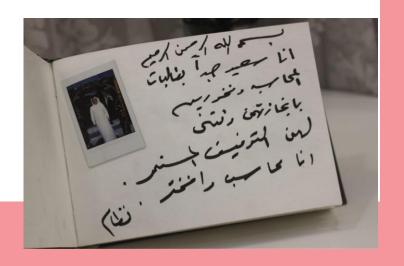
















#### PROMOTING ACCOUNTING AS A MAJOR



Female Accounting Club also organized another event for promoting Accounting as a Major. The event was a big success as a huge number of students visited the organized stall. We were also honored by the visit from Dr. Khaled Al Khater, VP of Finance, Prof. Adam Fadlalla, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Dr. Mostafa Kamal, Head of the department and other Accounting faculty. The club arranged four corners, each one with a game to raise awareness about Accounting Major. Each game promoted different aspects of Accounting Major consisting of information about Accounting Courses, benefits for membership of student club, an overview about the Qatari Accounting Scientific Association and future job opportunities for the graduates. Visitors were also offered traditional drinks and snacks.

Please check the following link for some videos about the event: <a href="https://youtube/ajL3nK0Uwfc">https://youtube/ajL3nK0Uwfc</a>











