

## College of Pharmacy Holds Student Society Elections

The College of Pharmacy held its 10th annual elections for its Qatar Pharmacy Undergraduate Society (QPhUS) for the 17AY. Students from P1-P4 were encouraged to run for the 9 executive council positions and in which winners were announced during the annual Pharmacofun day on Sept 20th, 2017.

QPhUS Executive Council members for the 17AY are: President Sarah Thiab (P2), Vice President Sara Hussein (P3), Media and Marketing Director Nada Abdelkader (P3), Treasurer Sarah Aldali (P2), General Secretary Bassant Elkattan (P2), P4 Class Representative Nour Hisham Al-Ziftawi , P3 Class Representative Ayah Hamdy Maklad, P2 Class Representative Rozina Elkaffash and P1 Class Representative Meral Abdulsalam. Assistant Dean for Student Affairs Alla El-Awaisi in her capacity oversaw the campaign, nominations and the elections. Students from QPhUS executive board may be selected to represent Qatar regionally or internationally at conferences, scientific or educational events. The executives are members of CPH undergraduate student advisory committee which is a forum for them to discuss any strengths, concerns or area for improvements relating to their academic and non-academic experience.

During the celebration, 16AY QPhUS Executives Council members were recognized and thanked for their dedication and Ms Amani Al Haddad, who served as 15AY and 16AY President, won 'QPhUS Executive of the Year'.

CPH Doctor of Pharmacy student Amani Al Haddad said: "My experience as a president of Qatar pharmacy undergraduate society was one of the best as it helped me improve my leadership skills. I learned that the most important key to succeed as a leader is to be a good communicator. When I look back at the things I have achieved in terms of planning, organizing, problem solving and other roles that were assigned to me, I feel thankful to be given the opportunity to show and improve my capabilities as a student. I wouldn't think twice if I had to do it again."

All pharmacy students are encouraged to participate in QPhUS and college-led community outreach activities such as the annual campaigns for Breast Cancer awareness, Blood Donation and Diabetes outreach campaign, in addition to social and academic activities such as the Eid celebrations, Qatar National day celebrations and Pharmacofun. During the gathering, 'QPhUS Event of the Year' was announced to be the 9th annual potluck and CPH 10th anniversary.

Mabrouk to the new executives and we wish them all the best in successfully leading QPhUS over the next year!