

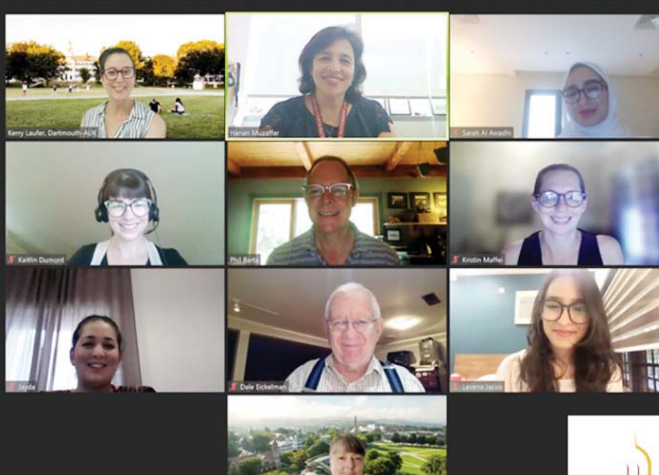
Summer Virtual Internships at Dartmouth College



Anwar, Moustafa and Sarah meet the DARTMOUTH AUK PROGRAM OFFICE



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Sarah & Davena meet the TUCK SCHOOL OF BUSINESS



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Latifah & Farida meet the ROCKEFELLER CENTER



Students and staff from Dartmouth College and AUK meeting to discuss internships.

AUK kicks off new academic year

AUK in collaboration with Dartmouth College introduce virtual int'l internships

KUWAIT CITY, Oct 14: The American University of Kuwait (AUK), in collaboration with Dartmouth College introduced virtual internships to students of both institutions during the summer and fall of 2021. Dartmouth College hosted seven AUK interns virtually during the summer, and AUK is currently hosting one Dartmouth intern virtually for the fall semester.

The internships come as part of AUK and Dartmouth's ongoing agreement and commitment to continuously provide students with support and development opportunities while showcasing an outstanding ability to adapt to changing circumstances during the pandemic.

AUK also offered one virtual internship to a graduate student from Eastern Illinois University during the summer as part of AUK's graduate internship program.

Commenting on the virtual internships, Dr. Hanan Muzaffar, Vice President for Student Affairs at AUK said, "International internships are a vital part of our international programs at AUK, which we strongly believe offers a select number of students an outstanding opportunity to engage and diversify their experience at AUK. Despite the uncertainty, and after having to freeze our programs in 2020 due to travel restrictions, we decided in the summer of 2021 to proceed by tailoring programs to fit the travel restrictions and closures, through offering students virtual internships. We are proud of all who made this work, and thankful for their commitment."

Projects

AUK and Dartmouth College signed an agreement in 2003 that facilitated a series of advisory, consultative, and cooperative projects including student exchanges (an internship program and a for-credit program), collaborative academic and administrative projects, as well as a faculty fellowship program. The agreement has been renewed twice (2008 and 2013) and reflects the two institutions' commitment to sustain the cross-cultural collaborations between faculty, students, and staff. AUK's commitment to providing a premier learning environment based on the American model resonates with Dartmouth's history and its understanding of the importance of higher learning in a global context.

Meanwhile, AUK kicked off a new academic year and welcomed new and returning students to the University. The Office of Student Life in the Division of Student Affairs held its annual welcome week activities which included virtual orientation sessions for new students that introduced them to the University and all the facilities and services available to them. Attended by 400 students, the vice president for student affairs, Dr. Hanan Muzaffar emphasized that they are now part of the wolf pack community; inviting them to lean on this community, she said "You have a huge support group that will be available to you, to assist you when you need help, to guide you when you feel lost, to cheer you up when you feel down, and to share your joy in your moments of victory."

Activities

Among the week's activities was also a virtual clubs involvement fair that introduced new and returning students to various clubs and organizations on campus. With 19 registered clubs in the fall 2021 semester and 130 student attendees, each club's president or representative was in attendance and spoke about what their club's purpose was, what they had planned throughout the year, and what their personal experiences were with the clubs. Students had the opportunity to meet members of the clubs and organizations, as well as ask questions and further explore the aims of each club. Director of the Office of Student Life, Shirley Sullivan said, "We encourage students to join or form a club that covers their interest, and explore opportunities to network, share, and develop leadership skills. The experience widens students' horizons, allows them to improve their skills, and provide valuable experiences. Student clubs are a great way to empower and enrich students while serving the community and leave a legacy on campus."

The fall semester is following a hybrid model of education where students alternate between online and on campus studies. All University events will continue to be held virtually to ensure students' health and safety.



Philippine Ambassador Mohd Noordin Pendosina Lomondot hands the crystal trophy to the grand winner - DJ Neil



Labor Attaché Nasser Mustafa with first runner-up DJ Julieciouosa



Vice Consul Atty Josel Mostajo with second runner-up DJ Rosie



Assistant Labor Attaché Cathrine Duladul hands the Golden Voice Award to DJ Lover

PH envoy lauds Pinoy Arabia as best media partner

DJ Neil bags ME DJ Quest 2021 grand prize

By Michelle Fe Santiago

He dances like a flamingo, swirls on his seat like there's no tomorrow and grooves on air, captivating the hearts of the viewers – Mark Neil Villanueva Diaz or better known as DJ Neil got the nod of the Board of Jurors and bagged the Pinoy Arabia ME DJ Quest 2021 grand prize.

"Everything seems surreal. I still can't believe it. Thank God! I've made it! I would like to thank my family, my friends and supporters as well as my mentor DJ Kris and the whole Pinoy Arabia family for this great opportunity," stated DJ Neil after besting 33 DJ questors.

The Pinoy Arabia ME DJ Quest 2021 awarding ceremony held on October 1, 2021 at the Season 19 Restaurant & Café in Salmiya was attended by Philippine Ambassador to Kuwait Mohd Noordin Pendosina Lomondot as the guest of honor as well as Labor Attaché Nasser Mustafa, Vice Consul Josel Mostajo, Assistant Labor Attaché Cathrine Duladul and Welfare Officer Genevieve Ardiente as special guests.

Spotted also were Hisham Alghanim (Season 19 Restaurant & Café owner), Jennifer Contreras Canillas (Ooredoo Community Xpress SIM Head), Paulita Lundang (Dadabhai Travel and Tours Branch Manager), Jarallah Abdullah Mohammad Falah and Lorna Astadan (Al Kout Plus owner), Renjith Pillai (Al Muzaini Exchange Co Marketing Manager) and Gerrie and Ann Quinto of Party Boutique.

"Pinoy Arabia is one of the best media partners of the Philippine Embassy. Pinoy Arabia has been a great help when it comes to information dissemination. We get to know all the information from Pinoy Arabia, updates, from the embassy, here in Kuwait and in the Philippines," lauded Lomondot.

Lomondot handed to DJ Neil the crystal trophy for topping the competition. In addition, he also received KD500 cash and a round trip to Manila courtesy of Dadabhai Travel and Tours. DJ Neil will join Pinoy Arabia and have his own program.



Some of the special guests and sponsors

DJ Harri, DJ Julieciouosa, DJ Lover, DJ Neil, DJ Marky, DJ Papa Jeth, DJ Rosie and DJ Shawie. All of them received gift packs from Ooredoo and Al Muzaini Exchange Co.

DJ Julieciouosa and DJ Rosie placed first and second runners-up respectively. Special awards were also given to DJ Papa Jeth (Darling ngMasa award) and DJ Lover (The Golden Voice Award). The runners-up and special awardees took home cash prizes, certificates and some gift packs.

Pinoy Arabia ME, the most listened to Filipino community service online radio in Kuwait, launched the Pinoy Arabia ME "DJ Quest 2021" as it marked its 6th year last year. The competition sponsored by Ooredoo, Dadabhai Travel and Tours, Al Muzaini Exchange Co, Season 19 Restaurant & Café, Al Kout Plus and Party Boutique was opened to all Filipino nationals or of Filipino descent, 19 years old and above, with good moral standing who want to showcase their talent on the

radio. A total of 34 aspiring DJs sent their one-minute audition video to Pinoy Arabia ME and took a shot to the "Pinoy Arabia ME DJ Quest 2021." Audition videos were posted on Pinoy Arabia ME Facebook page from January 31, 2021 to February 28, 2021 and the qualifiers were selected in March 2021.

The 20 qualifiers were then reduced to top 10 in the process of elimination. This was the longest competition that Pinoy Arabia ME had amid the pandemic as the top 10 finalists had to be all vaccinated first to have access to Marina Mall before embarking on the final round of tasks.

Pinoy Arabia ME now on its 7th year continues to sizzle and conquer the airwaves with its new programme offerings to its listeners and more than 382,000 organic followers on Facebook. Broadcasting live from the Marina FM studio in Kuwait, Pinoy Arabia ME, since its launch on October

30, 2014 has generated a sensational following and a great number of listeners not only in Kuwait but in the GCC countries and beyond.

Pinoy Arabia ME fully supported by the Philippine Embassy in Kuwait and Filipino community organizations plays Filipino and English current and old hits 24 hours with regular guests from the Philippine Embassy and other visiting Philippine government officials. It caters to Filipino community events and other vital announcements especially at the time of the COVID-19 pandemic. Pinoy Arabia ME has become a reliable source of information for Overseas Filipinos and a venue of pure entertainment. The Pinoy Arabia ME team is composed of Maxxy Santiago, Ben Garcia, DJ Red, DJ Spark DJ Kris, Robert Bulquiere and Campus DJs – DJ Liaah, DJ Erika and DJ Berto and the latest addition, DJ Neil.



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