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# Newsletter

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## Editor's Note

Welcome to the Summer Edition of the College Newsletter for March to September 2023!

The Newsletter team is thrilled to present you with a snapshot collection of news, updates, and highlights that reflect the vibrancy and achievements of our College and its dynamic environment.

We strive to bring you an assortment of content that caters to the diverse interests and passions of our students, faculty, staff, alumni and the community at large.

From major research breakthroughs to noteworthy academic accomplishments, we have seen our community thrive and excel in various disciplines. We are incredibly proud of the successes of our students, who continue to make their mark both inside and outside the classroom.

We commend the efforts of our esteemed dean, who emphasizes the importance of continuously striving for quality education. His message serves as a reminder to all that constant improvement is key to providing top-notch education to our students.

The College has been actively involved in several community-driven initiatives, fostering partnerships and collaborations that aim to create a positive impact.

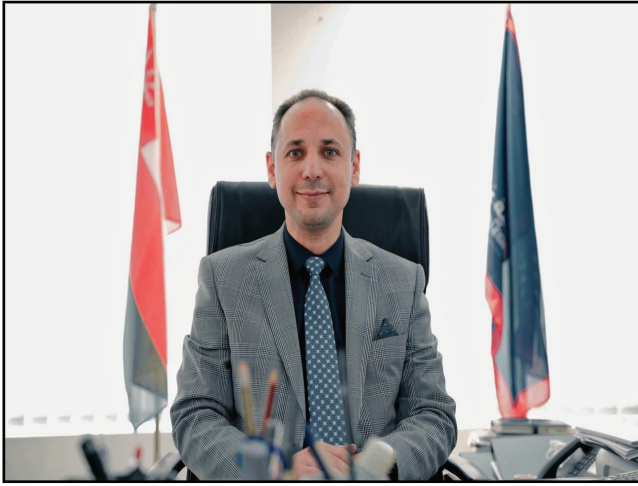
Its commitment to social responsibility and service has been reflected in various projects and events that have helped shape a more inclusive and compassionate learning environment.

Furthermore, this edition will offer a glimpse into the exciting campus events, workshops, and conferences that have enriched the College experience for our students to ensure a well-rounded education.

We hope that as you read through the pages of this edition, you will be inspired by the stories of resilience, creativity, and achievement showcased by our college community. It is our collective effort and relentless pursuit of excellence that truly make us stand out.

Thank you for your continued support and readership. We invite you to join us on this journey as we strive for greatness and celebrate the aspirations of our beloved OCMT.

Jonald Sarmiento Cayabyab  
Editor –in Chief



## Dean's Desk

Dear Esteemed Members of the College Community,

I am filled with joy and enthusiasm as we approach the end of another academic year. I want to take this opportunity to reflect on our collective achievements and express my gratitude to each and every one of you for your unwavering dedication and hard work. Our dedication to enhancing the quality of education is evident as we welcome 13 new faculty members with various specializations. Their addition signifies our commitment to improving our educational processes.

We proudly hosted the Institutional Accreditation Committee and successfully met and exceeded most standards related to governance, teaching and learning, community service, practical research, and resources. The graduation of our sixteenth batch of students was a momentous occasion that showcased our dedication to nurturing future leaders.

Also, we have embarked on a transformative phase to solidify our achievements and propel the institution forward. Bold decisions have been made regarding employee promotions, financial benefits, funding scientific research, and recognizing distinguished researchers. A rigorous performance evaluation process was implemented for academic staff, resulting in renewed contracts for those who demonstrated competence and the ability to achieve our goals.

As we celebrate the twentieth anniversary of our institution, bearing the name of our cherished homeland, we are dedicated to formulating a strategic plan that aims for national and regional prominence in the next five years. We invite all community members to actively participate in this transformative journey. I am confident that the Oman College of Management and Technology is entering a new era of rejuvenation. We are opening our doors wider to the local community and various sectors of our beloved Sultanate. We understand our responsibility in serving our nation and fulfilling its vision.

Our contributions are an integral part of the progress our Sultanate is experiencing. We encourage entities and institutions in our local community to engage with our college and establish collaborative relationships. Our commitment to service and meeting the needs of our community has been unwavering. In conclusion, let us embark on this new academic year with purpose, unity, and a commitment to excellence.

Together, we will continue to raise the bar of academic and institutional achievement, ensuring that Oman College of Management and Technology remains a beacon of knowledge, innovation, and service. Thank you for your dedication and support.

**Dr. Hazem Migdady**  
Dean

## HIGHLIGHTS and NEWS UPDATES

### 2nd International Conference on Banking, Finance and Money 2023



Under the patronage of His Highness Sayyid Mohammed bin Salem Al Said, this annual event, now in its second year, aimed to delve into diverse topics pertinent to the field, attracting a multitude of distinguished scholars.

The conference kicked off with a splendid ceremony, graced by the presence of Mr. Hussein Al Saleh, the esteemed Chair of the College's Board of Directors, alongside the Acting Dean of the College Dr. Hazem Migdady, and a host of enthusiastic participants hailing from both academic and administrative backgrounds.

Setting a tone of inspiration, Dr. Hazem Migdady, delivered a compelling speech during the opening ceremony. He eloquently highlighted the remarkable achievements of the college, emphasizing its unwavering commitment to promoting cutting-edge scientific research and maximizing its impact on the industry.

The conference featured renowned speakers including Ms. Laila who discussed metaverse technology and its importance in education. On the other hand, Mr. Nabil focused on the digital transformation in the banking sector and the benefits of employing artificial intelligence techniques.

The 2nd International Conference on Banking, Finance, and Money proved to be nothing short of a resounding success that left the participants awe-inspired and brimming with anticipation for the future.

### National Conference on Digital Economy 2023



The highly anticipated National Conference on Digital Economy, Trends, and Applications (NCDETA-2023) unfolded on June 22nd, 2023, at OCMT campus captivating attendees with a wealth of knowledge and insights into the world of digital innovation.

Younis Al Anquodi, discuss the importance of utilizing digital assets and blockchain technology to revolutionize industries, emphasizing the power of socialmedia in business communication and potential of AI intergration in businessintelligences.

Dr. Arabi Madbouly focused on business analytics, data science and big data, highlighting the significance data-driven decision making, and cyber security in creating a seamless customer experience. He also delved into the concept of cashless economy and the role of mobile busieness applications.

The conference provided a platform for intercativie sessions, networking and exploring innovative solutions to the challenges and opportunities of the digital economy. Attendees were able to exchange ideas, and gain a deeper understanding of the trends in digital landscape.

The NCDETA-2023 was widely applauded for its comprehensive coverage of topics that are increasingly shaping the business landscape.



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### 2nd International Conference of Omani Association for Libraries and Information

Ms. Al-Anoud Al-Tobi, Head of the Library Department, participated in the highly anticipated second international conference of the Omani Library and Information Association titled "Information Institutions and Digital Content."

The conference served as a platform to explore ethical considerations surrounding digital content creation and organization. Additionally, it delved into the vital role of documentation and archive centers in supporting and generating digital content, while equally addressing the opportunities and challenges within the digital content industry.



A significant highlight of the conference was the emphasis placed on the crucial role of Arabic digital content in sustainable development. Experts and professionals in the field came together to present their experiences and insights on creating and organizing digital content, providing attendees with valuable knowledge and innovative approaches.

This prestigious event was met with gratitude from participants who expressed their appreciation to the Omani Association for Libraries and Information, commending the association for offering the opportunity to engage in the conference's programs. The conference successfully catered to the interests and needs of librarians, specialists, and individuals passionate about this area of expertise.

### Swiss Exhibition on Asymmetrical Design

As part of a collaborative effort between cultural and educational institutions, the Interior Design Department at the Oman College of Management and Technology organized a field visit for its students to a lecture held at the Learning Center in the Omani National Museum.

The aim of the visit, which took place on Tuesday, February 2023, 21, was to provide students with an opportunity to learn about the skills and fundamental concepts associated with asymmetrical design.



The students were welcomed by the lecture organizers, who then guided them through the exhibition, sharing key concepts and relevant information along the way. Likewise, students were thrilled with the visit and expressed their gratitude to the department and college for supporting such extracurricular activities, which enhance their practical knowledge alongside the theoretical skills they acquire in the classroom.

This visit proved invaluable as it allowed the students to engage with professional designers specializing in furniture design and learn about their approach to the field. It provided a unique platform for interaction and learning that will undoubtedly enrich their understanding of asymmetrical design.

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Meanwhile, presenting a stunning series of hyper-realistic creations that defy the boundaries of conventional art, Al-Mahzouri's innovative use of various materials and photographic techniques infuses life into a myriad of subjects, leaving spectators in a state of sheer wonderment.

With an array of captivating visual wonders and the promise of an unforgettable artistic experience, "Tanadour" is set for art enthusiasts and curious minds alike to explore and revel in the boundless world of creativity.

### OCMT Delegates visit Ribat Center in Rustaq

A group of distinguished delegates from OCMT recently visited the prestigious Ribat Center in Rustaq, led by Dr. Hazem Miqdady, the Acting Dean of the College.

The purpose of the visit was to cultivate and strengthen collaborations with the College esteemed partners, putting a particular emphasis on Ribat Center. This was also a singular opportunity for the College to convey its deep appreciation for their vital contributions to the community service activities facilitated by OCMT.

### Fine Arts Exhibition "Tanadour"

Under the leadership of Dr. Hazem Miqdady, the Acting Dean, and organized by the dynamic Marketing and Public Relations Unit, in collaboration with the visionary talents of visual artists Bashir Al-Mahzouri and Hamid Al-Awfi, "Tanadour" boasts an awe-inspiring collection to diverse spectators in the College.

These awe-inspiring artworks effortlessly encapsulate poignant moments, and profound emotions from Al-Awfi's very own life, allowing everyone to immerse themselves in a truly transformative experience.



During the meeting, the delegates engaged in extensive discussions about the possibility of organizing an entrepreneurial program for the students and graduates of the College in the near future which aims to enrich the business landscape and create job opportunities while equipping our students with relevant knowledge necessary skills in preparation for their professional journey after graduation.

Through this collaboration, our aim is to nurture an entrepreneurial culture among our students, empowering them to embrace innovation and achieve success in their future endeavors. This visit to Ribat Center exemplifies our commitment to fostering dynamic partnerships and initiating impactful initiatives that bring about enduring positive change.



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### Oman Design and Build Week

The Interior Design Department proudly facilitated the participation of a group of students in the highly anticipated Design and Construction Week in the Sultanate of Oman, held on March 2023 ,13. Committed to nurturing their students' growth and expanding their expertise to enrich their understanding of the latest industry developments and expose them to diverse practices prevalent in the labor market.

The impact of this participation was truly remarkable, yielding results on strategic networking, exploring cutting-edge technologies, engaging with key decision-makers and participating in advanced professional development.

### Interactive Book Launch Ceremony

On Sunday, February 26, a delegation of selected twelve students from various majors participated in the highly anticipated book launch and signing ceremony of a captivating book entitled, "Sultan Ali bin Hamoud: From the Sultanate to Exile." The invitation was graciously extended by the National Museum in the Sultanate of Oman to the Student Affairs Department.

The symposium commenced with an insightful presentation by the distinguished author, Dr. Abdullah Al-Sulaiti. With eloquence and depth, he delved into the book's various sections and themes, providing an immersive exploration of its content. Dr. Al-Sulaiti expounded upon the pivotal milestones in the life of Sultan Ali bin Hamoud, underscoring the significance of honoring this influential figure's rich experience and capturing its intricate details.



Moreso, these valuable results students gained a comprehensive understanding of the country's goals and aspirations into Oman's Industrial Strategy 2040. This singular opportunity enhanced their knowledge, expanded their professional networks, and enriched their understanding of the dynamic field of interior design.

With their newfound expertise and exposure to industry trends, these students are poised to make significant contributions to the evolving architectural landscape and ready to shape a better place for tomorrow.



The ceremony's culmination gave our student delegation a special moment as they received personally signed copies of the book. In line with our commitment to fostering a culture of knowledge-sharing, copies of the book are available in the College Library.

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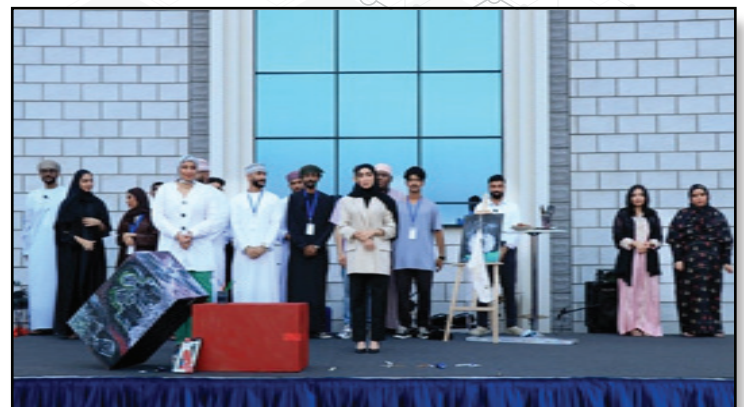
The College Campus was bursting with life and excitement as the Student Affairs Department spearheaded an unforgettable Open Day event on Tuesday, March 7th, 2023. From 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM, the campus buzzed with captivating activities, remarkable performances, and a diverse range of attendees, truly making it a massive success that highlighted the rich diversity and energy of our remarkable student body.

The Open Day event went beyond the traditional exhibition format by creating a vibrant consumer market that empowered and uplifted families in the community, as well as small and medium enterprises. It was a space brimming with entrepreneurial spirit, where visitors could discover and support local businesses. To ensure that younger guests had an unforgettable experience, a whimsical children's corner was dedicated to providing excitement and fun. In addition, thrilling competitions were organized, creating further engagement and enjoyment for both students and guests. In collaboration with Anwar Station project for entertainment services, a heart-pounding FIFA competition took center stage, electrifying the atmosphere.

The college's esteemed theater group added a touch of theatrical magic to the event with their captivating rendition of "Harat Al Fonon." Accompanied by the renowned Soul Band and the remarkable Folk Arts Band, our talented students orchestrated a spellbinding musical extravaganza that celebrated their artistic abilities. This fusion of artistic expressions culminated in a mesmerizing showcase of talent and creativity, leaving the audience in awe.

The overwhelming turnout at the Open Day event was a testament to the infectious enthusiasm of both internal and external participants. With over 1000 visitors, the excitement and dynamic energy resonated throughout the day. Attendees were captivated by the diverse range of activities that showcased the unique vibrancy of our college community, creating a true celebration of our collective talent.

### Open Day 2023 Showcases College's Vibrant Community





### International Exhibition for Higher Education GEDEX in Bahrain



Under the patronage of His Excellency Dr. Mohammed bin Mubarak bin Juma, Minister of Education and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Higher Education Council in the Kingdom of Bahrain, the Global Higher Education Exhibition, known as GEDEX, unfolded a three-day exhibition event from Saturday, May 6 to Monday, May 8.

Driving this successful participation forward were Mr. Muhammad bin Abdulaziz Al Zadjali, Head of Admissions and Registration, and Ms. Hanan bint Abdullah Al Badriya, Head of the Marketing and Public Relations Unit, representing Oman College of Management and Technology with utmost dedication and professionalism. Their expertise and commitment played a pivotal role in showcasing the College's strengths and fostering connections with prospective international students.

Furthermore, the College's participation enabled high-spirited interaction with international students, gaining insights into their opinions and aspirations. The College's corner attracted a large audience, with eager students and their parents flocking to explore the possibilities and advantages offered by OCMT. By actively participating in such prominent events, the college fortified its presence and cemented its commitment to offering world-class education to a global student body.

### Ministry of Labor Forges Strong Partnership



To foster collaboration and synergy with the government sector, Oman College of Management and Technology warmly welcomed a delegation from the Ministry of Labor. The esteemed delegation consisted of Her Excellency Nasra bint Nasser Al-Jabriya, Assistant Director General for Human Resources Development, Dr. Muhammad bin Salem Al-Hudaifi, Assistant Director General of the Department of Training and Workforce Development, and Mr. Abdul Rahman bin Omar Al Qasimi, a specialist in monitoring training programs.

Moreover, the attendees also explored the potential of facilitating educational opportunities at the College for public sector employees, including those working within the Ministry. As both institutions move forward, the prospect of enhancing training opportunities for workers in the administrative sector and empowering individuals with special needs emerges as a shared goal that will positively impact both society and the workforce as a whole.

By leveraging the expertise and resources of both the Ministry of Labor and Oman College of Management and Technology, they aspire to create impactful training programs that will enhance skills, enable career growth, and contribute to the overall development of the workforce within the administrative sector.

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### First Siraj Endowment Meeting Sets for Educational Collaboration



Representatives from various departments and clubs convened for the inaugural meeting of the Siraj Endowment Foundation at the prestigious Omani High Council, marking the beginning of a promising educational collaboration. The CEO of the Foundation, Engineer Mahmoud bin Khalfan Al-Hadidi, expressed his gratitude to the attendees and introducing the esteemed members of the Board of Directors.

The Foundation's mission to champion education and empower students was brought to life as the CEO passionately outlined their vision and objectives. Highlighting the crucial role of advisory councils, he called for support from student affairs officials and advocates for student activities, particularly in nurturing young talents in photography and acting.

Members of the Student Advisory Council shared personal success stories, illustrating how academic guidance transformed their educational journeys. The Academic Committee presented innovative programs and initiatives for academic excellence and personal growth showcasing success stories from students who flourished under academic advising.

### Higher Education Institutions Exhibition in Dhofar Governorate



Oman College of Management and Technology recently took part in the highly anticipated higher education exhibition in Dhofar Governorate. The exhibition, which ran for a dynamic four days from June 24 to 27, attracted a diverse array of attendees, including representatives from neighboring countries, general diploma students, and parents.

This participation aligns with the college's unwavering dedication to understanding students' opinions and future career aspirations. The college's dedicated corner at the exhibition received an enthusiastic response from both students and parents, emphasizing the vibrant energy and interest surrounding the institution.

Representing the College at the exhibition were Mr. Muhammad bin Abdulaziz Al Zadjali, Head of the Admissions and Registration Department, and Ms. Hanan Abdullah Al Badriya, Head of the Marketing and Public Relations Unit. Their presence added a touch of professionalism and expertise, leaving a profound impact on all visitors to the College's corner.

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### OCMT IELTS Test Review Course 2023



The IELTS Exam Review Course, directed by Mr. Baiju George, an esteemed member of the General Foundation Department at the College, commenced on 6th February 2023 and concluded on 15th March 2023.

This course, catering to GFP Level-3 students, OCMT alumni, and the wider public community, stands as a notable achievement for the General Foundation Department during the 2023-2022 academic year. Embracing a well-rounded approach, the course encompassed all four essential skills of the IELTS exam, including Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing, ensuring an equitable distribution of contact hours for each skill.

Regular attendance was emphasized, with a minimum of %60 attendance being mandatory to partake in the concluding free mock exam, which constituted a fundamental element of the course.

Throughout the course's duration, we witnessed undeniable strides in the students' language proficiency and their ability to navigate the various challenges of the IELTS exam. It was immensely gratifying to witness their unwavering dedication and diligent efforts bear fruit as they confidently tackled the different sections of the exam. In our pursuit of fostering an environment conducive to growth and progress, we endeavored to create a supportive and engaging atmosphere.

We provided valuable resources, practice materials, and personalized feedback, nurturing the students' learning journey. The transformation we observed in the students was truly rewarding. Their heightened confidence, expanded vocabulary, improved grammar, and refined writing and speaking skills were a testament to their hard work and our guidance.

We are humbled and grateful for the opportunity to have played a role in empowering these students on their IELTS journey. Looking ahead, we eagerly anticipate continuing our support and assisting future students in their pursuit of language fluency and their achievement of their language goals.



## Welcoming New Faculty Members for Academic Year 2023-2024



### Administrative and Financial Sciences Department



Dr. Nuzhat Sadriwala



Dr. Tejas B. Vyas



Dr. Shahnawaz Ali



Dr. Mohd Irfan Rais



Dr. Balaji S.K. Swaminathan



Mr. Hamed Al Shamsi



Ms. Zamzam Ismail Al Tubi



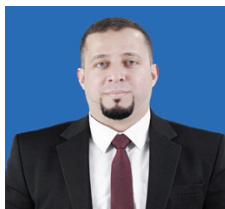
Ms. Asala Yahya Al Ruqaishi



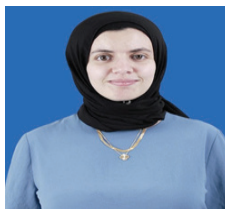
Ms. Nafla Al Falahi



### Computer Science and Management Information System Department



Dr. Malik Jawarneh



Dr. Saly Malak



Dr. Virendra Gawande



Dr. Ishtiaque Abdul Sattar



Dr. Kamal Sarker



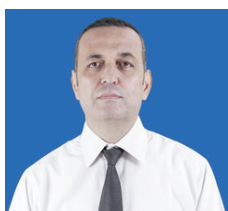
Dr. Vishal Dattana



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### Interior Design Department



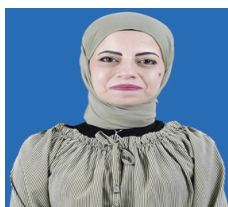
Dr. Mohamed Al Nejem



Mr. Nasr Al Wahaibi



Dr. Ghada Mohammed



Dr. Ola Mohammed



Ms. Fatma Al Habsi



Ms. Intissar Bouzekri



### General Foundation Programme



Ms. Sondus Al Alawi



Ms. Shatha Al Saidi



Ms. Sasirekha Naganathan

### The Role of Academic Advising on the Learner's Academic Success

#### The Academic Advising Officer Standpoint



**Mr. Loauy Al Naami**  
**Officer , Academic Advising**

We are thrilled to share with you the incredible impact that academic advising has on enhancing student success at OCMT. Academic advising serves as a vital cornerstone within our educational system, providing invaluable guidance and support to our students throughout their college journey. Our objectives are clear, and we are dedicated to fostering academic awareness among our students. We acquaint them with college regulations, instructions, and bylaws approved by the Oman Ministry of Higher Education.

To achieve this, we have established an esteemed Academic Advising Committee, led by a faculty member appointed as the College's academic advising officer. This ensures that each student receives personalized attention and support from their academic advisors. Supporting our at-risk students is a top priority at OCMT. Academic advisors closely monitor those experiencing study difficulties or being academically at-risk. We provide them with the tools and guidance needed to overcome challenges and improve their academic performance. To ensure effective communication and support, we have implemented an electronic system for academic observations.

Our advisors meticulously document observations for all students, enabling better tracking and personalized assistance. This documentation is crucial in promptly identifying and addressing student needs. As a testament of our academic advising effort is the Academic Advisers' Feedback Final Report for the Summer Semester 2023-2022, as provided by the ATS System. This report offers valuable insights into the effectiveness of our academic advising across departments.

Lastly, we are delighted to highlight the College Advisory Days program. This comprehensive initiative offers a wealth of academic guidance and support to our students. It streamlines the course registration process, aids in following personalized study plans, and fosters meaningful connections between students, academic advisors, and faculty members. At OCMT, academic advising embodies more than just a service; it represents our unwavering commitment to our students' growth and success. We stand ready to provide the guidance and support needed for a fulfilling and prosperous academic journey.

### The Role of Academic Advising on the Learner's Academic Success

#### Academic Advisors' Perspective



**Dr. Supriya Pulparambil**  
Advisor , CS and MIS Department

My advisees generally expect me to be accessible through Microsoft Teams and prefer face-to-face meetings rather than relying solely on ATS notes and emails. At the start of each semester, I download the list of advisees from the ATS system, which provides their cumulative GPA, allowing me to understand the overall and current academic situations of each student.

As an academic advisor, my role extends beyond merely helping students with course registration. I focus on guiding them to select appropriate courses that balance their academic load. However, I have faced challenges when selecting courses for evening students due to limited course availability, conflicts, and prerequisite requirements. As a result, their study plans are given special attention to track their progress from the first year onwards.

Typically, in the first and second years, I ensure that course registration aligns with both faculty and department requirements. For third-year students, it's crucial to strike a balance between department requirements and supporting courses. This approach has been instrumental in improving students' cumulative GPAs. It has not only helped students overcome the 'at-risk' status but also led to a significant overall GPA improvement."



**Ms. Thuraya Al Farsi**  
Advisor , AFS Department

As an academic advisor my mission is clear, I am committed to nurturing academic awareness and excellence among our students. One of my primary goals is to familiarize them with the college regulations, instructions, and bylaws that have been carefully approved by the esteemed Oman Ministry of Higher Education.

In order to achieve this objective, the College has developed comprehensive programs aimed at preparing our students for the challenges they may encounter in their academic journey. Through advisory and guidance initiatives, I provide them with the vital knowledge and skills necessary to navigate and make the most of the various campus facilities and support services available to them.

My dedication and commitment to providing them with a nurturing environment where they can grow intellectually and excel academically is unwavering. Through robust advisory and guidance programs, I equip my advisees with the knowledge and skills needed to navigate campus life and access the support services available to them. With these initiatives in place, I am confident that my advisees are well-equipped to embrace the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead in their academic journey.

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#### Academic Advisors' Perspective



**Ms. Narges Moradi**  
Advisor, Interior Design Department

My responsibilities as an academic advisor begin a few weeks before classes commence. During this time, I ensure that all necessary forms are prepared in advance of the course registration period. Generally, students are encouraged to register online, with technical support available for those encountering any issues.

The previous semester's GPA plays a pivotal role at this stage as it determines the students' eligibility for registration in the upcoming semester. I have implemented various strategies, such as reaching out to at-risk students via email, requesting urgent appointments with advisees. Additionally, I have created a Microsoft Teams channel to communicate with all advisees simultaneously, sharing recent revisions, changes in section capacities, and course cancellations.

This comprehensive approach has proven effective in facilitating communication with all advisees without the need for individual outreach. Furthermore, I make it a priority to respond promptly to advisees' texts or emails, recognizing that some may be unable to physically attend college due to various circumstances. Throughout the semester, we also follow up on the progress of at-risk and graduating students based on an action plan we have devised.



**Ms. Sara Ahmed Mohammed**  
Advisor, General Foundation Programme

Throughout my academic advising journey, I have actively embraced student-centered approaches, employing innovative technologies and personalized guidance to ensure a vibrant and dynamic advising experience for my advisees. Leveraging platforms such as MC Teams, Edugate, and ATS, I have seamlessly conducted virtual advising meetings, facilitated efficient communication and maintained a high level of engagement.

Through the strategic utilization of technology, I have effectively streamlined communication channels and closely monitored students' progress, ensuring timely involvement and comprehensive support. This shift has significantly enhanced the impact of my advising on students' academic achievements and overall growth. However, I have encountered the challenge of managing my time effectively, as balancing teaching responsibilities with advising duties can sometimes limit my availability for students.

Nevertheless, my empathetic approach has fostered a supportive and nurturing learning environment, instilling confidence and motivation in my students. As a result, my advising practices have contributed to a positive and empowering experience, equipping students with the necessary tools for future challenges and success in their academic endeavors.



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#### Academic Advisees' Viewpoint



**Mansoor Al Balushi**  
MIS Student

Throughout my academic journey as an accounting student, I have had the privilege of experiencing the effectiveness of academic advising firsthand.

The guidance and support provided by my academic advisor have played a vital role in shaping my educational experience and ensuring my success in my studies.

One aspect of academic advising that greatly impacted me was the integration of technology into the advising process. My advisor utilized platforms such as MC Teams, Edugate, and ATS to streamline communication and scheduling, making it incredibly convenient and efficient. I could easily request a schedule virtual advising meetings, eliminating the need for face-to-face interactions and saving valuable time.

Furthermore, my advisor's commitment to my academic progress was evident through their diligence in tracking my academic performance. Regular follow-ups and discussions about my quizzes, exams, and problem-based learning scores allowed for timely intervention if there were any areas of weakness. This proactive approach ensured that I received the necessary support and motivation to continuously strive for excellence.



**Saif Al Balushi**  
Banking & Financial  
Sciences Student

One of the keyways in which academic advising has been effective in my studies is through providing a roadmap for success.

My advisor has been an invaluable resource in helping me navigate the complex curriculum and requirements of my program. He has helped me choose the right courses each semester, ensuring that I am on track to meet graduation requirements while also aligning my coursework with my career aspirations.

While academic advising has been instrumental in my studies, I recognize that it is a collaborative effort. I have also played an active role in making the most of this valuable resource. Regularly scheduling advising appointments, coming prepared with questions and concerns, and actively seeking advice have been essential in maximizing the benefits of this support system.

Overall, the key role of academic advising in my studies as a computer science student cannot be overstated. The personalized approach, roadmap for success, encouragement towards experiential learning, and staying abreast of industry trends have all contributed significantly to my growth as a computer science professional.

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#### Academic Advisees' Viewpoint



**Saida Al Bahrani**  
Computer Science Student

As a computer science student, the academic journey can be challenging and complex, I encountered numerous instances where academic advising played a significant role in my academic success.

However, my academic advisor provided me with relevant information and guidance regarding course requirements, and specialized tracks within the field. This allowed me to align with my interests and career goals, ensuring a fulfilling and personalized academic experience.

Without the guidance of my academic advisor, navigating these choices may have been overwhelming, resulting in a haphazard academic journey. Instead, my advisor has meticulously guided me through the curriculum, helping me select courses that align with both my interests and professional aspirations. Her expertise and knowledge have allowed me to create a well-rounded course schedule, ensuring that I gain a comprehensive understanding of the field while also exploring specific areas of passion.

As I reflect upon the tremendous value academic advising has added to my studies, I am filled with gratitude for the dedication and expertise of my advisor. I am grateful for the invaluable role that academic advising has played in shaping my studies and preparing me for a successful career in this dynamic field.



**Saja Al Farsi**  
GFP Student

As a General Foundation Program student, I have faced a multitude of choices and the challenge of establishing a solid academic foundation.

However, my journey has been significantly transformed with the help of my academic advisor who provided valuable guidance every step of the way. It is truly an incredible guiding compass, helping me navigate through the complexities of the program and ensuring that I make the most of my time and resources.

With the assistance of my advisor, I was able to identify my strengths and weaknesses, ultimately adopting tailored strategies to improve my English Language competencies, Mathematics and Computing skills. My advisor provided me with access to additional resources, such as my English lab, peer tutoring, and online study materials, reinforcing my comprehension and enabling me to thrive in my coursework.

More so, it is important to note that academic advising is not limited to mere course or career guidance. It has helped me identify gaps in my knowledge and skills and have suggested strategies to bridge them effectively. This personalized approach has not only boosted my confidence but has also instilled a sense of direction and purpose in my studies.

Research Activities: Academic Year 2022-2023

#	Faculty Name	Dept.	Research citation	URL
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## Trainings and Workshops

### Psychological Therapy with Art Workshop



The Student Affairs Department recently organized the Psychological Therapy with Art Workshop, aiming to promote well-being and personal growth. The event, held on April 4th, 2023, focused on fostering social solidarity and spirituality, particularly during the holy month of Ramadhan.

The workshop combined the therapeutic benefits of art with psychological techniques to provide students with a platform for creativity and addressing their psychological needs.

The workshop featured a range of activities designed to stimulate participants' minds and emotions. Attendees had the opportunity to create artwork using various mediums under the guidance of experienced art therapists. The facilitators highlighted the therapeutic benefits of art, such as self-expression, stress relief, and self-discovery.

Overall, the workshop offered a unique and creative approach to mental well-being, combining art and psychological therapy. By creating a supportive and inclusive environment, attendees could explore their inner selves and develop valuable coping skills. This workshop was successful in bringing together art and psychology to enhance personal growth and overall well-being.

### Dealing with Exam Anxiety Workshop



The workshop aimed to address exam anxiety, a common issue among students, especially during stressful periods like mid-semester exams. Dr. Al-Attar, an expert in human development, provided valuable insights and strategies to help students manage their anxiety effectively.

Throughout the workshop, he emphasized the importance of maintaining a balance between one's thoughts and emotions to better regulate anxiety levels during exams. By providing practical techniques and coping mechanisms, he empowered students with the tools they need to overcome exam-related stress.

Furthermore, Dr. Al-Attar shared his experiences and offered general tips, gathered from his extensive work in the field, to equip students with additional strategies for tackling exam anxiety. These tips are intended to be practical and applicable in real-life exam situations, providing students with a sense of control and confidence.

By addressing the causes of anxiety and providing practical tools, Dr. Al-Attar empowered students to better navigate the challenges of exams and perform at their best. The workshop was a valuable resource for students seeking support and guidance during the stressful exam period.

### Inner Peace Workshop

The Inner Peace workshop, presented by Dr. Yousra AL Mamari from MOHERI on Tuesday, March ,21 2023, aimed to guide participants on the path to achieving inner peace. The workshop aimed to provide a safe and supportive environment for individuals to explore their inner selves and work towards personal growth and well-being.

Dr. AL Mamari started the workshop by introducing the concept of inner peace, highlighting its importance for overall well-being and happiness. She emphasized that inner peace is not dependent on external circumstances but is a state of inner tranquility that can be cultivated through specific practices and behaviors.



To help participants experience inner peace firsthand, the invited keynote speaker incorporated practical exercises during the workshop. These exercises aimed to promote psychological stability and tranquility. Deep breathing exercises and meditation were likely included as techniques to calm the mind, reduce stress, and enhance a sense of inner peace.

The Inner Peace workshop offered attendees the opportunity to gain valuable insights and techniques to cultivate inner peace in their lives. By understanding the concept, learning the rules, and practicing exercises, participants were equipped with tools to navigate stressful situations, find balance, and achieve a state of inner tranquility.

### Engineering Design and 3D Printing Training Program

The engineering design and 3D printing training program, organized by the Oman College of Management and Technology in collaboration with the Youth Centre, successfully concluded. The program specifically targeted young job seekers, attracting 25 participants with a range of educational backgrounds, including diplomas in education, higher diplomas, and university degrees.

The training focused on various aspects of 3D printing, including an introduction to the principles of printing, various printing technologies, and how to effectively use and benefit from these technologies.



By providing participants with knowledge and hands-on experience in 3D printing, and engineering design the program aimed to support projects that have a positive impact on society. Notably, the training program aimed to assist Omani job seekers in finding regular employment opportunities by fostering innovation and pioneering approaches.

This collaboration demonstrated a commitment to youth development and addressing the needs of young job seekers. By offering training in engineering design and 3D printing, the program sought to enhance the employability of the participants and contribute to the growth and advancement of the community at large.



## Trainings and Workshops

### Investor Self-Development Course



In collaboration with the “Tadarbi” Foundation, the College recently organized a training course focused on investor self-development. The course aimed to assist individuals from diverse social and professional backgrounds in enhancing their personal and professional skills.

Dr. Fahd Al-Jabri, the invited speaker, covered topics such as self-confidence, positive behaviors, successful life planning, self-esteem development, and improving self-image. The course attracted around 150 participants, including trainees, students, and employees from government and private sector institutions.

Likewise, he expressed his gratitude to the College for its efforts in serving and developing the community through these types of programs. This initiative reflects the College's commitment to social responsibility and its role in supporting the growth and improvement of individuals within the community.

In general, the training course empowered individuals with the necessary skills and knowledge to enhance their personal and professional lives. By bringing together participants from various backgrounds, the course provided a platform for learning and networking, promoting overall growth and development within the community.

### The Eidaad Seminar: Bridging the Gap between Academics and Practical Reality



The Office of Training and Career Guidance recently organized a seminar titled "The Eidaad Programme" presented by Mr. Hamad Al-Hadhrami. The seminar took place on April 2023, 11, at 10:30 am in Hall No. AC-007 of the academic building. A total of 75 students attended the awareness lecture and showed great interest in the program.

The Eidaad Programme is an educational initiative aimed at bridging the gap between academia and industry by offering a one-year training program. This program allows students to gain practical experience in line with the current and future needs of the industry. It also serves as a platform for collaboration and exchange between academia and industry.

It is important to note that some host companies may require applicants to undergo an interview, and final appointments will be made based on the interview results. The final assignment and start date for the program will be announced to all participating students.

The programme provides students with a valuable year of experience, giving them a competitive edge when they enter the workforce after completing their studies. By bridging the gap between academics and practical reality, this program aims to better prepare students for real-world work environments.





## Future Makers Institute Partnership

Future Makers Institute, a forward-thinking organization committed to fostering growth and development, has recently solidified an exciting partnership through the signing of memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the College. This collaboration aligns seamlessly with the college's vision, mission, and goals of community service, as it aims to enhance collaboration and cooperation between the two entities.

This collaboration includes conducting dynamic workshops, cutting-edge training courses, immersive local and international summer centers, and engaging camps designed to propel the growth and development of students. By immersing students in these transformative experiences, the partnership aims to provide them with invaluable opportunities for both learning and skill development.

The MOU was recently signed by Dr. Hazem Miqdady, the esteemed acting Dean, and Mr. Musa Al-Siyabi, the visionary director of the Future Makers Institute. Both parties have expressed their genuine excitement and satisfaction in joining forces to create meaningful collaborative efforts

## Salikon for Knowledge LLC Alliance

Salikon for Knowledge LLC, a renowned education and training institution, has forged a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the College which aims to enhance exchange of educational offerings and promote trainings to students and local community at large.

The agreement was signed on July 2023 ,16, for a duration of two years and is renewable upon mutual agreement. It highlights the commitment of both organizations to collaborate in various training initiatives and utilize each other's facilities and resources in accordance with regulations.

Dr. Hazem Miqdadi , the acting dean expressed excitement about the partnership, noting that it aligns with the College's vision and mission to deliver and provide exceptional trainings to students and staff in the College.

This collaboration underscores the importance of cooperation in providing high-quality training opportunities and experience-sharing platforms. Both parties look forward to a fruitful partnership which strives to serve society through knowledge and education.

## MOU Signing Ceremony with ANSANA Center

On 15th of May 2023, the College and ANSANA Center held a signing ceremony of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) which aims to strengthen their collaboration in the education and educational consultancy sectors.

As per the agreement, both parties will utilize their respective facilities in compliance with regulations and deliver services to the local community. The duration of the MoU is initially set for two years, with the possibility of renewal, if desired.

This collaboration is expected to revolutionize the field of education by leveraging their expertise and resources to offer comprehensive educational consultancy services. Both organizations are eager to explore the numerous possibilities that this partnership brings.

They believe that their joint efforts can overcome challenges in the education sector and make significant contributions to the local community which is poised to bring positive changes and enhance educational initiatives in the community.



## Higher Academy for Administrative Sciences & Training signs transformative MoU

To revolutionize the field of administrative sciences and training, the Higher Academy for Administrative Sciences and Training (HAAST) has signed into a strategic partnership through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with OCMT. The agreement was signed on 22nd May 2023, aims to enhance training programs, offer short courses, and provide support to the local community.

The MoU outlines the collaborative efforts of HAAST and its partner to bring about significant improvements in the field. Both parties have agreed to focus on training initiatives that meet the evolving needs and demands of the administrative sciences sector. This partnership enables HAAST to expand its current offerings and deliver comprehensive training solutions to a wider audience.

Moreover, both parties agreed to focus on providing relevant short courses to enhance specific administrative skills and provide individuals with opportunities for career growth. By offering a diverse range of short courses, HAAST envisions promoting continuous professional development and equipping individuals with the necessary knowledge and skills needed to succeed in their respective fields.

## EC-Council Academia joined forces in an Academic Partnership

EC-Council has officially recognized OCMT as an authorized EC-Council Academia Partner, signifying the institution's commitment to delivering high-quality cybersecurity courses. The partnership, which was signed on October 2023, positions OCMT at the forefront of providing academic courses in the field of cybersecurity.

As an EC-Council Academia Partner, OCMT will have access to the latest resources, curriculum, and training materials developed by EC-Council, a globally recognized leader in cybersecurity education. The partnership with EC-Council further solidifies OCMT's commitment to excellence in academic programs and its dedication to producing highly skilled cybersecurity professionals.

It also opens doors to numerous opportunities for students, including access to industry certifications and networking events. Both EC-Council Academia and OCMT are excited about the potential of this partnership in raising the bar for cybersecurity education and equipping the next generation of professionals with the knowledge and skills needed to tackle emerging cybersecurity threats.

## Khaleej Oman Institute MOU Signing Ceremony

Khaleej Oman Institute (KOI), a leading educational institution in Oman, has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 7th March 2023 with OCMT for a duration of two years.

This strategic collaboration aims to enhance the educational offerings of KOI by introducing specialized workshops and short courses that cater to the specific needs of professionals in various industries. The partnership will provide numerous opportunities to students, staff and the community as a whole to gain valuable skills and knowledge in a short period of time, allowing them to excel in their chosen fields.

Furthermore, this ensures that both parties remain committed to the partnership and can reassess and adjust their objectives as necessary. KOI and the College will work together to identify and address the educational needs of the local community. This could include initiatives such as scholarships, mentorship programs, and collaborative projects that contribute to the overall development of the community.

### Field trip to Areej Company for the Manufacture of Oils and their Derivatives

The Student Affairs department, under the guidance of the office of the deanship, successfully organized a field trip for ten Business Administration students to Areej Vegetable Oils & Derivatives company on Monday, March 2023 ,21.

Enthusiastically welcoming the students, Engineer Fahad AL Manthari embarked on providing a comprehensive introduction to the company's rich history and its various departments. Subsequently, the students were taken on a guided tour of the company's different departments. All participating students demonstrated remarkable interest and an impressive depth of knowledge .



This invaluable field trip enabled the students to deepen their understanding of the manufacturing process involved in the creation of bottles, including the selection of materials utilized in their production. Additionally, the students were enlightened about the assortment of oils produced by the company and the countries from which the raw materials are sourced.

Furthermore, the students had the privilege to familiarize themselves with the intricate stages of oil production, gaining valuable insights into the company's methods for treating impurities and mitigating unwanted odors within the raw materials.

### Quiz Bee Competition

The highly anticipated Quiz, Please! Competition took place on March 2023 ,20, gathering the brightest GFP students for an intense intellectual battle. This thrilling event tested the participants' quick thinking abilities, teamwork skills, and prowess in reading comprehension.

The competition encompassed questions derived from the students' coursebooks, which allowed them to showcase their comprehensive knowledge. Each question carried a varying point value, ranging from 50 to 500 points. Teams adopted different strategies throughout the competition, with some opting for a slow and steady approach, choosing questions with minimum point values.

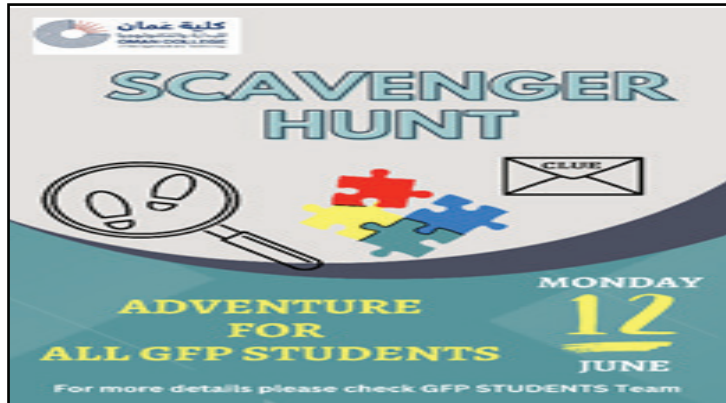


All participating teams demonstrated remarkable skills and an impressive depth of knowledge as the competition unfolded. Ultimately, it was Team 'White', comprising Level 1 students, who emerged victorious. Team 'Al Seeb' claimed the runner-up position in recognition of their commendable performance.

This competition proved to be both a thrilling and rewarding experience, highlighting the students' dedication to their academic pursuits and fostering a spirit of healthy competition among the GFP community.



### Scavenger Hunt Competition



The General Foundation Programme hosted an exciting event called the Scavenger Hunt on June 14th, 2023. Participants took part in activities like solving math problems, assembling puzzles, and searching for clues. Seven teams set out from the GFP Department, each following a different route around the OCMT campus. The objective was to locate and solve clues faster than the other teams to win the competition.

The teams competed against each other with laughter and enthusiasm. The team known as 'Blue Lightning' emerged as the winners. They showcased their problem-solving abilities, teamwork, and quick thinking by swiftly deciphering clues and completing challenges in record time.

Overall, the Scavenger Hunt organized by the GFP Department promoted collaboration, critical thinking, and adventure. It was a successful and engaging competition that brought GFP students together in a fun and challenging way.

### MECORATOR-2023 Competition



MECORATOR, organized by the Middle East College's Literary and Debating Society in association with the Center for Foundation Studies, is an annual event where students display their public speaking abilities and share opinions on contemporary issues. Representing our college, Middle East College, Bayan Khalfan Al Nabhani, a level 3 student, had the privilege of opening the competition.

She effortlessly wove her arguments, substantiated by pertinent examples, to express her thoughts on the topic. Her eloquent delivery and persuasive discourse left the spectators awe-inspired, earning her well-deserved appreciation and accolades.

MECORATOR serves as a platform for students to express their views on important topics, enhancing their critical thinking and communication skills. We extend our sincere gratitude to Bayan for her remarkable representation and applaud her talent and dedication.

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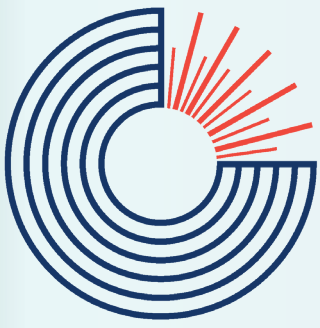
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