

## TIES Presentation

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## 1. Kick-off meeting activities

- Date: 1 2 March, 2010
- TIES vision and objectives
- Presentations by the TIES partners
- TIES webpage
- TIES administrative and financial management

### 2. Observation Sessions

- Date: 3-7 May 2010
- OBS at the University of Alicante (UA)
  - 3-4 May, 2010
- OBS at UPMF
  - 5-7 May, 2010

## 2.1 Observation Sessions: OBS at UA

- Date: 3-4 May 2010
- Internationalization of research and development.
- Planning at the Faculty level.
- Organization of international activities at UA.
- Internationalization and marketing of language courses.
- The UA International business program
- Funding opportunities.
- The UA international project management office.

## 2.2 Observation sessions: OBS at UPMF

- Date: 5-7 May, 2010
- International relations management with the Faculty of Law
- Management of cooperation, grants, and information for students.
- Quality assurance and assessment of international relations.

## 3. International Indicators at Philadelphia University

- Faculty members
- Students
- Conferences
- Agreements
- Study Abroad
- Foreign Languages
- Membership in International Associations
- International Programs
- Curricula
- Research

## 3.1 Faculty Members

■ PU has 249 faculty members. Their breakdown by nationality is as follows:

Jordanians	200
Syrians	3
Swedes	1
Iraqis	29
Algerians	2
Italians	1
Egyptians	11
Indonesians	1

Palestinians

### 3.2 Students

■ PU has 5342 students enrolled in 32 academic programmes. Their breakdown by nationality is as follows:

- Jordanians 3806
- Non-Jordanians 1536
  - Arab World, USA, Sweden, Canada, Turkey, Germany, Spain, Holland, Macedonia, etc

- Faculty of Arts and Humanities
- Faculty of Administrative and Financial Sciences
- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Information Technology
- Faculty of Engineering

- The **PU Faculty of Arts and Humanities** has been hosting the University's International Conference (for the last fifteen years) dealing with one of the following different topics each year, and attended by researchers and specialists from the Arab Word, Europe, and the United States:
- The conference topics were: the Self and the Other, Arab Discourse Analysis, Globalization and Identity, Cultural Interaction, Modernism and post Modernism, Freedom and Innovation, Arabs and the West, Dialogue with the Self, Insights into the Future, Culture of Resistance, Culture of Fear, Culture of Image, Culture of Love and Hatred, and Culture of communication

- The Faculty of Administrative and Financial Sciences holds an International annual conference on a number of relevant topics.
- The **Faculty of Law** has been actively participating in the annual mock trial under the patronage of the American Bar Association (ABA) since May 2007.
- The Faculty Information Technology hosted this year the Third International Conference on Innovation in ICT. The Conference was attended by researchers from Britain, Australia, Algeria, Tunisia, Malaysia, Portugal, France, and Jordan.

- The **Faculty of Engineering** organized and hosted
  - The 7th International Multi-Conference on Systems, Signals and Devices (SSD 2010) in collaboration with the University of Sfax in Tunisia, Chemnitz University of Technology in Germany, and Narvik University College in Norway. This is an annual conference held in Jordan, Tunisia, and Europe.
  - The Middle East Simulation Multi-Conference (MESM) in collaboration with DMU in the UK, Ghent University (Belgium), and the European Society of Simulation (EUKOSIS).

## 3.4 Agreements

- The University entered into several agreements and memoranda of understanding with many academic institutions as follows:
  - Cornell University USA
  - International University of Science and Technology Syria
  - Ahliyya University Bahrain
  - University of Wollongong Australia
  - Arizona Training Institute-Kuwait.
  - The Royal British University of Science and Technology Iraq
  - Mackworth College UK
  - The University of Huddersfield UK
  - Massey University New Zealand
  - Emporia State University USA
  - The National Technical University of Ukraine
  - Sofia University Bulgaria
  - Helwan University Egypt
  - Charles Darwin University Australia
  - Azusa Pacific University USA

## 3.4 Agreements

#### University agreements continued:

- Le Havre University France.
- Assafir Institution for University Affairs.
- Amoon News Agency.
- Al-Mustakbal Academy- Cairo.
- Baghdad University- Iraq.
- Basra University Iraq.
- Salhuddin University- Iraq.
- The International University- Arbeel- Iraq.
- The International University for Science and Technology-Syria.
- Assalam Private University- Syria.
- Telal Asham Private University-Syria.
- Gulf American University Bahrain.
- Narvik University Norway.
- Hague University Holland.

## 3.5 Study Abroad

PU has 21 graduate students working toward their PhDs at British, American, Canadian, and Australian universities. The Breakdown of universities by country of location is as follows:

■ UK: 12

■ Canada: 02

■ USA: 01

■ Australia: 01

■ Germany: 01

## 3.6 Foreign Languages

- PU offers an undergraduate programme in English Language and Literature.
- It also offers courses in French, Hebrew, and Italian.
- It has a website in Arabic with an English version.
- It will offer tuition in Arabic language, literature, and culture to Cornell (USA) students starting the Spring Semester of 2010/2011, and has provided instruction and training in Arabic to the Consortium of Global Education students, and will continue to do so.

## 3.7 Membership in International Associations

- Member of the Association of Arab Universities.
- Member of the International Association of Universities.
- Member of the International Association of Electronic Libraries.
- Member of the UNESCO AVICENNA Project.
- Accredited Center for ICDL up till 2008.
- Local center for the CISCO Program for Computer Networks.
- Local Center for Microsoft MCSE.
- Member of the Association of Islamic Universities.

## 3.8 International Education Programmes

- Integration of Higher Education Programme "Global Integration of Higher Education Programme (GIHEP)" Submission for the grant has been made by the University of Wales Institute, Cardiff, UK as the coordinating institution, with a total number of 50 participating partner NIS and MEDA institutions
- The Ties programme
- The Narvik Philadelphia Students Exchange Programme
- The PU Iraq E- Learning Training Programme

## 3.8 International Education Programmes

■ The PU — Soliya Programme, which "facilitates dialogue between students, using an internet – based video conferencing platform ... (students) engage with topics complementing academic courses in a range of subjects including Media studies, International Relations and English Language." The Programme is jointly run and managed by the PU Language Center and English Department. Jordan, Bahrain, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Kuwait, UAE, UK, and the USA are among the participating countries.

## 3.9 Curriculum Modification and Innovation

- The Accounting bachelor degree programme will be taught entirely in English.
- All bachelor degree programmes in the Faculty of Administrative and Financial Sciences (FAFS) will use English as the language of instruction on an annual incremental basis:
  - 20% in the first year
  - 40% in the second year
  - 60% in the third year
  - 80% in the fourth year
- All FAFS bachelor degree programmes conform to the AACSB International Requirements.
- All PU undergraduate and graduate programmes are informed by the internationally recognized QA measures.

## 3.9 Curriculum Modification and Innovation

- PU abides by and promotes an outcomes-based curriculum design and implementation approach to teaching and learning. It held a national conference on the topic (with the help of the King Hussein Fund for Excellence) for all public and private universities in May 2010. The conference was chaired by Professor Mohammad Awwad, and conducted by Professor Beverley Oliver, Director of Teaching and Learning at Curtin University, Australia.
- PU has prepared detailed teaching and learning outcomes for all disciplines in which it awards graduate and undergraduate degrees.
- PU is actively promoting both a Jordanian Area of Education and an Arab World Area of Education similar to and informed by the Bologna Process.
- All students in The Faculty of Administrative and Financial Sciences are required to take a course in International Business.

### 3.10 Research Activities

- PU provides generous support to all faculty members to present papers at international refereed conferences. (3% of its budget is allocated for research).
- PU hosts faculty members from Arab universities to spend their sabbaticals and do the required research.
- PU researchers from the Faculty of Engineering participated in and delivered papers at the Nato-ASI Workshop on unmanned vehicles.
- PU closely cooperates with the Euro-Jordan Project for which it assigned a liaison officer, and through which many researchers received funding for doing research in data mining and software engineering.

### 3.10 Research Activities

- PU Faculty of Nursing hosts an international research programme on "Improving Access to and Quality of Reproductive and Child Health Care to Bedouins in Jordan and Lebanon". The partners to this programme are:
  - Philadelphia
  - The American University in Beirut
  - The University of Warick
  - The University of Oxford
  - The University of Stockholm
  - CERMES, INSEKM. France
- The Faculty has applied for partnership in an international research project entitled "The role of a right to health approach in access to complementary therapies".

## 4. Dissemination of TIES

- The PU website with links to all partner universities
- National Radio and TV.

# Thank you for your kind attention