## Abu Dhabi University Completes Preparations to Welcome Students to the New Academic Year

As part of <u>Abu Dhabi University's (ADU)</u> efforts to provide a well-rounded educational experience to its students, ADU has announced the successful completion of its preparations for the upcoming academic year 2023-2024. The University crafted a comprehensive development plan, which includes faculty recruitment across various disciplines and campuses, the enhancement and modernization of digital infrastructure and the strengthening of laboratory readiness, programs and library resources. Through this plan, ADU aims to create an exceptional and sustainable learning environment for students across its campuses in Abu Dhabi, Al Ain, and Dubai.

As part of the preparations, the University has upgraded its digital infrastructure to meet the needs of its students and improved its latest technological facilities and digital platforms to offer students with inclusive e-services related to admissions, registration, online payments, course enrollment, research submission and many more. In addition, the plan also focused on elevating the quality of ADU's technical and digital facilities, including upgrading data servers, cybersecurity systems, and its various online platforms. Recently, ADU has ranked fifth globally for the for the International Faculty indicator as per to the QS World University Rankings for 2024, maintaining its tradition of attracting worldclass academic talent. This achievement provides students with a chance to enroll in over 50 academic programs across ADU's campuses in Abu Dhabi, Al Ain, and Dubai, and enables them to acquire the needed skillsets provided by renowned faculty members who are experts in their fields. This significantly contributes to students' educational outcomes and provides graduates with specialized knowledge and skills empowering them to excel in their future careers.

Professor Ghassan Aouad, Chancellor of Abu Dhabi University (ADU), reaffirmed the University's commitment to providing a holistic academic experience for its students. He emphasized the creation of an educational environment that fosters excellence and innovation by offering top-tier faculty, along with a range of academic and recreational services. Stemming from that commitment, ADU ensures that its students are receiving world-class education and are equipped with the needed skills to succeed in the future. Prof. Aouad continued to highlight the importance of practical experience as a fundamental element of education at ADU. The University's dedication to practical learning prepares students by offering hands-on experiences within its laboratories and facilities to improve their skills during their educational journey. Recently, ADU collaborated with Vernewell Group and inaugurated the first quantum lab in the Emirate within the College of Engineering which serves as a collaborative hub for students, researchers and experts. ADU has launched a series of initiatives to prepare for the new academic semester, including the first ADU National Summer University Physics Prep Course and the second ADU National Summer IELTS Prep Course. Through these initiatives, students gain the knowledge and skills necessary to embark on their academic journey with confidence. The University organized a series of virtual informational seminars, providing a comprehensive overview of its diverse academic programs across various colleges. In addition, ADU allowed students to visit the campus to explore the cutting-edge teaching facilities and scientific laboratories and conducted several workshops for high school

students that provided them with insights about different fields of study within the university.

