

Abu Dhabi University Forges 3 Strategic MoUs with International Partners to Foster Unique Learning Opportunities for Students

In line with its ongoing efforts to foster an exceptional academic journey for students, [Abu Dhabi University \(ADU\)](#) has forged three new partnerships with leading international academic institutions focused on nurturing students' educational experience through providing innovative teaching and learning approaches as well as dynamic exchange programs. The partnerships were confirmed through the signing of Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with each of the universities including the University of Essex, the Notre Dame University-Louaize, Lebanon (NDU) and Carleton University (Ottawa, Canada) (CU).

Over the past years, ADU has continued to offer students and community members cutting-edge and internationally accredited programs in reflection of its commitment to academic excellence. Through collaborating with world-class academic institutions, the University seeks to equip students with opportunities that support in elevating their knowledge and skills required to effectively navigate their future career paths.

Earlier this month, ADU's College of Law signed an MoU with the University of Essex, a public research university in Essex, England, established by royal charter in 1965. Both entities seek to elevate their international programs offering and facilitate student and faculty exchanges. Additionally, the MoU sought to introduce new academic programs designed to provide joint and dual degrees, as well as specialized short-term academic programs.

Furthermore, the College of Law signed another collaboration with NDU, a private catholic Lebanese non-profit institution of higher education, accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE) and adopting the American system of higher education. Through this MoU, both ADU and NDU seek to provide students with access to internationally competitive programs that address the latest developments in the field.

Through accelerating joint activities and faculty exchange, staff members and researchers will be empowered to promote knowledge and experience sharing in an effort to contribute to academic excellence on the global stage. In addition, the MoU includes shared supervision of Master's and Ph.D. students, as well as opportunities for cross-cultural learning experiences and academic growth.

Lastly, ADU's College of Business inked a partnership with CU, an English-language public research university in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Founded in 1942 as Carleton College, the institution operated as a private, non-denominational evening college to serve returning World War II veterans. Through this partnership, ADU and CU will introduce a 2+2 program, allowing students to conduct the first four semesters at ADU, while completing the second half of their degree at CU. In addition to facilitate student and faculty exchange, engage in collaborative research, and contribute to the advancement of the academic sector internationally.

[Professor Ghassan Aouad, Chancellor of Abu Dhabi University \(ADU\)](#), said: “We are honored to collaborate with three highly prestigious universities, the University of Essex, NDU, and CU. These partnerships will surely contribute towards fulfilling ADU’s mission to provide students, faculty, and community members with a unique academic experience, thus reinforcing our position as a leading academic institution in higher education in the

UAE and beyond. At ADU, we remain focused on unifying global efforts and coordination between academic institutions to collectively impact academic excellence for generations to come.”

[ADU's College of Law](#) provides specialized, internationally competitive, and advanced legal education, using modern technology and comparative approaches to boost students' abilities for the legal job market.

[ADU's College of Business](#) offers a range of undergraduate and postgraduate programs to build and enhance students' business, management, and leadership careers. The College is both EQUIS and AACSB accredited, only 1% of business schools worldwide have this double accreditation.