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“
The capabilities and resources of the state must be dedicated to the building of the active human being, who is the cornerstone...”

H.H. Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan

President of the United Arab Emirates and Ruler of Abu Dhabi





“ You have to take initiative to do what you can do, or dream to do, as boldness has majestic power; you have to take initiative. ”

H.H. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Vice-President, Prime Minister of the U.A.E
Ruler of Dubai





“*Endeavors to improve and develop the educational process are considered to be the highest and the most important goal of the government, which is consistent with what our young country believes: “building people is much more important than building stones.”*”

H.H. Sheikh Hamdan Bin Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Crown Prince of Dubai





Mr. Buti Saeed Al Ghandi

Chairman, Board of Trustees & Chancellor,
Canadian University of Dubai



Prof. Karim Chelli

President and Vice Chancellor,
Canadian University of Dubai

‘Inspiring minds transforming lives’

Inspiring minds, transforming lives is the mantra we at the Canadian University live by. We are extremely honored and excited to be celebrating this historic Inaugural Graduation Ceremony with the Class of 2011. On behalf of our staff, we want to thank the graduates for their hard work and dedication to the Canadian University of Dubai. To know that more than 200 students are graduating gives CUD staff members a great feeling of joy and accomplishment. Driven by the principles of students’ development theory, all of our faculty and staff have worked to promote individual student development and enhance the CUD experience for all those associated with the University. CUD is a vibrant university in the UAE and is committed to doing its part to make our world a better place through research, teaching and service. It is through our students, our staff and you that we have achieved this. You have gained new knowledge, learnt important life lessons, made lasting friends and collected memories that will be with you for a lifetime.

We wish you a successful and enjoyable new chapter of life ahead!

Mr. Buti Saeed Al Ghandi
Chairman, Board of Trustees & Chancellor

Prof. Karim Chelli
President and Vice-Chancellor





University Vision

The Canadian University of Dubai is committed to providing students with an international academic experience, guided by the highest educational and corporate ethics, adding value to the personal and professional lives of its graduates and the communities in which we serve.

University Mission

The Canadian University of Dubai promotes Canadian perspective in learning, research and application, grounded on appreciation and respect for diverse cultures and UAE values.

University Partners



Board of Trustees

In pursuit of academic excellence, the Canadian University of Dubai was founded as a visionary initiative. Determined to embrace the North American and European diverse learning cultures, the University is committed to providing opportunities in work, research, and learning.

The curriculum and support services are provided by skilled and passionate Canadian and European faculty, who teach programs that suit the needs of individuals in a market of ever changing competition.

The University offers a wide spectrum of education choices for the aspiring learner to carve a niche in respective fields, complemented by practices to hone their skills before entering the job market.

The Canadian University of Dubai has joined a panel of globally renowned education and corporate institutions to provide guidance and motivation for deserving students. CUD is licensed by UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.



Mr. Buti Saeed Al Ghandi
Chairman,
Emirates Investment and Development



Prof. Karim Chelli
Chief Executive Officer,
Dubai Education



Mr. Garth Jackson
Former Assistant Deputy Minister of the Ontario
Ministry of Education and Training



Hon. Aldéa Landry
Former Cabinet Minister and Deputy Premier for the
province of New Brunswick



Hon. Brian Tobin
Former Premier of Newfoundland, Canada



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Principal and Chief Executive Officer,
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Psychologist,
Ontario Provincial Police



Mr. Richard Malette
Senior Financial Advisor,
Assante Wealth Management



Mr Abdulla Mohd Obaidallah
Board of Directors,
Emirates Investment and Development



“From a small seed a mighty trunk may grow,”

Aeschylus



The beginning...

One day in the Arabian Desert, sometime in 2005, a traveler and a distinguished Emirati businessman and visionary meet. After sharing greetings and shaking hands they sit down to exchange news and have coffee and dates. Within a short time the gentlemen realize that they share a common philosophy; bridging the gap between the cultures of East and West through education.

The distinguished businessman and visionary, Mr. Buti Saeed Al Ghandi; known for his business acumen and understanding of the Emirati culture, and the traveler, Dr. Karim Chelli; esteemed educational entrepreneur in the Canadian higher education system agree to meet again.

The traveler visits the Emirates and his new friend again. This time they meet in Dubai; along Sheikh Zayed Road, among the sun and construction dust. "What are they building across the road?" Dr. Karim asks.

Mr. Buti replies, "Why, the tallest building in the

world is being excavated. This area will be the new center of Dubai very soon." Hmm, I think this could be the start of something big!

During the next few months the gentlemen meet on many occasions, on both sides of the world. They wonder if there is something different that could be added to the existing education system, something that would create an impact in the region. Research is conducted and program needs are analyzed across the seven emirates and the GCC.

The Canadian education system seems to be the most appropriate fit for the project the gentlemen are contemplating. Canadian education is ranked as one of the top education systems in the world, this is the "something different" the gentlemen are looking for!

Canada, like the UAE and especially Dubai, is extremely multicultural and places great importance on education. Working and living in a multicultural environment, people must have a strong sense of

mutual respect in order to be successful. These two gentlemen demonstrate that respect by working together, merging ideas and launching the Canadian University of Dubai (CUD). At CUD the Canadian perspective in education is imbedded in the culture and values of the United Arab Emirates.

In 2006, entering through the doors of this new venture we find a dozen or more administration and staff members busily creating policies, procedures and academic programs for this new University. Everyone is working together, often in one room.

One day, in the midst of a working session a startled staff member asks, "Did you feel that shaking? Was there an earthquake?" Another responds, "No. Remember, they are working on the Dubai Metro quite near the University." Work resumes, meals are ordered in and the lights are on until midnight, or later. This is a group of devoted, hardworking employees on a mission and the CUD Community takes form.



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In the fall of 2007 the great visionary and businessman that was first seen in the Arabian Desert, Mr. Buti (CUD founder, Chancellor and Chairman of the CUD Board of Trustees), drops by the Canadian University of Dubai. The traveler, his friend Dr. Karim (CUD founder, President and Vice Chancellor), now has four accredited bachelor degree programs and 400 excited students, faculty and staff; this new University has been born. And the building across the road, it is getting bigger and taller!

Time passes, the University and the building across the road grow. Additional programs are added to the University and additional floors are added to the big, tall building.

January 2010, Burj Khalifa opens across the road. What is happening at Canadian University of Dubai? Students are coming from Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Fujairah and Ras Al Khaimah to enroll in CUD's new MBA programs.

May 31st, 2011 the first CUD graduation, what a milestone. Look, there on the stage! His Highness Sheikh Nahayan Bin Mubarak Al Nahayan, the Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research is going to speak. Oh, there is the Right Honorable Joe Clark, former Prime Minister of Canada and he is going to speak as well. Look! Oh, look! There are the two men we first saw in the Arabian Desert. Everyone looks so proud and happy. There must be close to 200 graduates on the stage, just feel the excitement!

Fall 2011, as we enter through the front doors of CUD there are students everywhere, even on the weekends. We see students, faculty and staff chatting, having coffee, attending classes and working in the Library. Enrollment has reached 2000...

*Karen L. Peterson
CUD Pioneer*

Yes indeed, great things can and do grow from small seeds!



The Logo

To Mr. Buti Saeed Al Ghani (founder, Chancellor and Chairman of the CUD Board of Trustees) the University's logo is a combination of the UAE and Canadian cultures. We have the maple leaf – the official symbol of Canada with a date palm inside it. The majestic date palm, *nakhla*, is not just any tree. It is a strong cultural symbol here in the UAE and in other Arab countries. Our date palm has seven branches representing the seven emirates. We are bridging both countries, both cultures. This logo represents the synergy of CUD, where the result is greater than the sum of the individual parts.





Faculty

Bottom (left to right): Dr. Muhammed Kabir, Dr. Abdelghani Mehailia, Dr. Rami El Khatib, Ms. Vivian Kojar, Ms. Barbara Hutchison, Dr. Diana Haladay, Ms. Naima Aziz, Ms. Alin Balian, Ms. Dima Yousuf, Dr. Hanan Mostapha, and Dr. Hazim Al Nijaidi.

Top (left to right): Mr. Talal Kursany, Dr. Benedikt Schwittay, Dr. Firend Rasheed, Dr. Wanda Arneson, Mr. Steve Denyer, Mr. Richard Hay, Dr. Hamoud Dekkiche, Dr. Thorsten Loemker, Mr. Florian Techel, Mr. Serkan Gunnay, Dr. Rommel Sergio, and Dr. Ikhlās Gurrib

Not pictured:

Dr. Abdalla Abu Libdeh, Dr. Ahmad Okasha, Dr. Ahmad Jaffar, Dr. Ahmed Barbour, Ms. Dalal Halalat, Dr. Driss Guerchi, Ms. Elizabeth Noel, Dr. Emad Eldin, Dr. Firuz Kamalov, Dr. Golaleh Tavokkali, Dr. Ho Hon Leung, Dr. John Ireland, Dr. John Newark, Mr. Ismail Fadel, Dr. Maha Al Bustani, Ms. Maisoun Sherif, Dr. Marwan Shaban, Dr. Mohammed Boulmald, Dr. Muhammed Alam, Ms. Noor Pasha, Mr. Richard Twidle, Ms. Rita Younes, Mr. Sherif Moussa, Ms. Siwar Rekik, Dr. Tamar Rabie, Ms. Suhair Hamouri, Mr. Tahar Mendjour, Dr. Uma Gunasilan and Dr. Yousef Shahwan.



Staff

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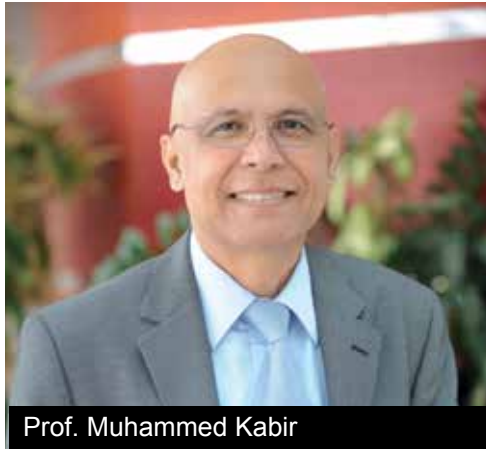
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Not pictured:

Mr. Abdelghani Djadouri, Mr. Abdunnazir Kottarakoth, Mr. Bashir Nellichallil, Ms. Azadeh Salati, Mr. Brian Banford, Dr. El Said El-Emam, Dr. Florin Vladika, Mr. Gilbert Maloloy-on, Mr. Jainul AbuDeen, Ms. Judy Chapman, Ms. Jasmine Siddika, Mr. Joseph Dominic, Mr. Kamal Fodil, Ms. Karen Peterson, Dr. Leo O'Brien, Ms. Linda Abdul Hameed, Mr. Mehraj Shaikh, Mr. Mohammed Abunaser, Mr. Mohammed Khaled Daji, Mr. Mohammed Mujeeb Khan, Mr. Moideen Kutty, Mr. Nisarg Dugad, Mr. Paul Ducalang, Ms. Rachel Castillo, Mr. Samer Kassem, Mr. Sid Attou, Mr. Syed Jamal Naser, Mr. Tim Graystone and Ms. Tracey Lloyd



Vice President Academic Affairs



Prof. Muhammed Kabir

I would like to start with congratulating our graduates who have worked very hard to reach this milestone. The graduating class of 2011 has made us all feel so proud. I eagerly look forward to seeing you

succeed in your careers and lives. I am confident that with the knowledge that you have gained at CUD you are going to shine in this highly competitive world, and you will climb further heights in your professional lives.

Please allow me to share with you some of the exciting developments that are taking place in our University. We have launched a set of new degrees and currently we are offering 23 different majors for our undergraduate students and five majors for the MBA program. Our current enrollment of full-time students is more than 1800 and we have several hundred students taking short term training programs.

Upon approval by the Ministry of Higher Education and

Scientific Research, a new program in English Language and Translation will be added. We are studying the feasibility of adding other degrees at the Bachelors and Masters levels. A Doctorate in management is also under consideration.

Our professors possess qualifications from prestigious universities in Canada, the USA and Europe. Recently we have added several distinguished scholars to that list. These new faculty members will help assure that we bring the latest and best teaching ideas and practices into the classrooms, and our students will reap the benefits. Although a very young University, our reputation is becoming firmly established and we are receiving enquiries and applications not only from the region but from Canada and other distant countries. In some programs we cannot admit every qualified applicant; we have to be selective. As a result, some of our programs have waiting lists for admission. However this should not prevent you from referring good students to CUD.

Once again, congratulations to you and I wish you success in your personal and professional lives. Please stay in touch with us as we would like to know about your professional achievements.

Prof. Muhammed Kabir
Vice President Academic Affairs



All the best!

School of Business Administration

The School of Business Administration (SBA) at the Canadian University of Dubai is a leader in Management education in the Gulf region. Our world class faculty from Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, Britain, France, Germany, Australia, Sweden and elsewhere, provide world class Management education which is further shaped by the diversity of academic backgrounds you will find at CUD.

In addition to our majors in Marketing, Human Resource Management, and E-Business, we are very pleased to announce a new major in Accounting and Finance. This major is designed to prepare students for a number of professional accounting or finance designations.

The School of Business Administration takes international education seriously. Through our numerous partnerships with universities in Canada students have the opportunity to study

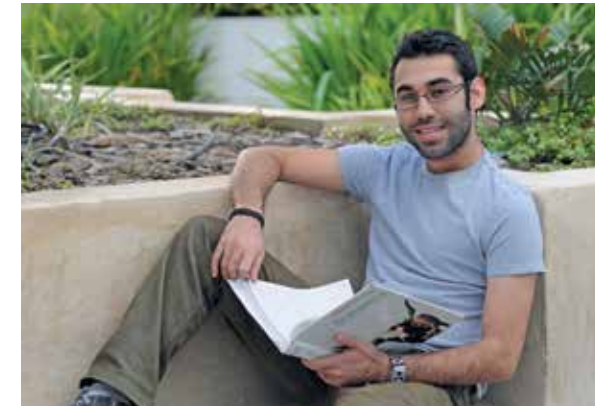
for a semester, a year or a summer in Canada. Students are able to start their degrees here in the UAE and complete a Canadian degree at one of our partner universities.

Our programs are practical and tied to the most up to date industry practices. We believe it is important to combine academic coursework at CUD with practical work experience and all our students take a mandatory Internship course in which they are placed in a firm doing work that is relevant to their program of study.

We look forward to hearing about your progress and welcome you as part of the CUD Alumni.

Ms Rita Younes
Chair, School of Business Administration

Dr. John Newark
Dean, School of Business Administration



*Congratulations to the 2011 graduates, the first
graduating class of CUD!*



School of Engineering, Applied Science and Technology

Having graduated our first cohort in May 2011, the existing programs have undergone rigorous curriculum review by the Program Committee together with several external advisors from reputable Canadian universities.

The School of Engineering, Applied Science & Technology (SEAST) at CUD is currently offering two programs: Bachelor of Science in Telecommunication Engineering and Bachelor of Computer and Networking Engineering Technology. A new Bachelor of Science in Network Engineering will be offered upon accreditation.

The proposed change is in direct response to the demands of the UAE, GCC, and world markets due to the acute shortage of qualified engineers with deep-rooted understanding of the constructs of computer networking.

Our degrees all align with both Canadian and international degree standards and criteria and share common curriculum in the first two years. This allows for the possibility of transfer between degrees. The degrees share common foundation and laboratory courses, each designed to ensure that graduates are equipped to meet the labor market needs within UAE and the region.

The School has recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Lakehead University (LU) in Ontario, Canada for collaboration and international learning opportunities between both institutions. Through this Memorandum of Understanding, students from all three degrees will have the opportunity to complete part of their degree in Canada. Based on this agreement, students from CUD may, after an initial year at CUD, transfer to LU for one year to earn the LU Technology Diploma. The LU credits may then be transferred back to the four year CUD degree.

To provide students with a rigorous and reputable engineering education, CUD has equipped its engineering labs with state-of-the-art equipment from world-class engineering companies, such as National Instruments and Cisco.

Our vision for the future of the School is to continue to add specialized programs, for example Network Security, Gaming Technology and Electronic Engineering.

Dr. Driss Guerchi

Chair, School of Engineering, Applied Science & Technology



We are proud to congratulate our first graduates. Well done!

What a wonderful future you have ahead in this fast paced, rapidly changing world!

School of Architecture and Interior Design

The School of Architecture and Interior Design (SAID) located less than a mile from Burj Khalifa, the tallest building in the world; is a unique place to study architecture and interior design. This may be a defining element for the School. In SAID, the meeting of students and faculty from many nations forms a microcosm of both the UAE and Canada, with their respective open cultures and willingness to accept new people with minds open to new ideas. Just as Dubai is at the crossroads of Occident and Orient, the Past and the Future, our school views itself at the intersection of different vectors.

The School is a unique platform for blending contrasting streams in Architecture and Interior Design. It is strongly rooted in its locality through its accreditation and sensitivity to the particularity of Dubai while being closely linked to the architectural educational standards in Canada.

We are proud to announce that the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research approved the 5-Year Bachelor of Architecture program, modeled directly on the educational standards of the Canadian Architecture Certification Board (CACB). The Interior Design program is to be modeled in line with the standards of the Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA). Our graduating students will meet local professional registration requirements while fulfilling licensing requirements for international associations.

We emphasize creativity and problem solving in conjunction with rationality and accountability in design thinking. We advocate expandable approaches to design focusing both on tangible and intangible dimensions of design problems, incorporating local building tradition, issues of culture, technology, construction and sustainability. These important factors repeatedly force new insights and trigger new associations.

While attracting high-caliber faculty with international experience, SAID is enrolling a higher number of students from the UAE and the region into our programs and has formed external relations with schools in Canada and the United States.

SAID students from all over the world are starting to burn the midnight oil, trying to create the spaces of tomorrow.

A journalist once asked Frank Lloyd Wright what his most favorite design project was. Wright smiled mildly and responded: The next one... always the next one!

In that vein the school can hardly wait for the next years, our first graduating class and the additional milestones we will put in place.

Mr. Florian Techel
Chair, School of Architecture and Interior Design



*Congratulations graduates! You are standing at a major crossroad in your life;
you have many pathways ahead and are making one of many choices for your future.*



School of Liberal Arts and Sciences



We at the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SLAS) take great pride in the contribution that we have made to your successful completion of study here at CUD. Whether a student studies Engineering, Architecture, Business or any other subject, the student receives his or her initiation to University education here in our School. We offer all the basic courses that are required for every degree. As it is said, "well begun is half done", and we help all students make a great beginning.

Please allow me to share with you some of the exciting developments that are taking place. We launched a set of new programs in the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences this September. We are now offering a degree in Mass Communication with three different specializations: (a) Print and Electronic Journalism, (b) Advertising, and (c) Public Relations. This degree is the first at CUD to be offered in two languages: English and Arabic.

There is more news. We are planning to add one more program to our offerings; Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Translation. With the approval of the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research, this program will launch in January 2012. Additionally, we are studying the feasibility of adding a Masters degree in International Relations and Diplomacy.

We have been successful in recruiting several very high caliber scholars; a distinguished author in Islamic studies and two new Doctorates in mathematics and statistics from top-ranked universities in North America. This infusion of faculty was necessary to ensure that students receive the best possible instructions in their first year and beyond.

Once again, congratulations to the graduates and I wish you all success in your personal and professional life. I hope you will stay in touch with your University and that you will bring CUD's many rigorous degree programs to the attention of interested students, parents, guardians and colleagues.

Dr. Abdalla Abu Libdeh
Dean, School of Liberal Arts & Sciences

*You have made us all proud and we look forward to seeing your
many accomplishments in the future!*

School of Environment and Health Sciences

One of our key goals in the School of Environment and Health Sciences (SEHS) is to graduate professionals that are well prepared to face the challenges which affect our environment and health. We provide our students with direct access to information on the latest developments and through hands-on experience.

Our programs promote environment and health management education through well balanced, comprehensive and student-centered programs. The School provides a new generation of healthcare management professionals who are ready to meet the needs of the UAE and the world.

Always keep in mind that a healthy environment means a healthier you!

Dr. Rami El Khatib

Chair, School of Environment and Health Sciences



*We wish you all the best as you open this
new chapter in your life!*

We look forward to graduating our first class in 2012.



Graduate Studies Division



Created to meet the unique demands of the international business world, our programs deliver business education on target.

CUD is at the forefront of Business and Management education in the UAE and the Gulf region. The Graduate Studies diverse faculty includes well recognised experts from Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, Germany and Australia. Our faculty, unified in their goal to deliver world class education, is driven by the needs of the world we live in today and inspired by the sheer diversity of culture in CUD which in-turn mirrors that of Dubai and the UAE as a developed country.

We strive to develop students so that they are well equipped to successfully embark in their management careers with the required level of business knowledge and environment awareness. We also continuously appraise our programs to ensure that they are aligned with the latest events in the industry both locally and globally.

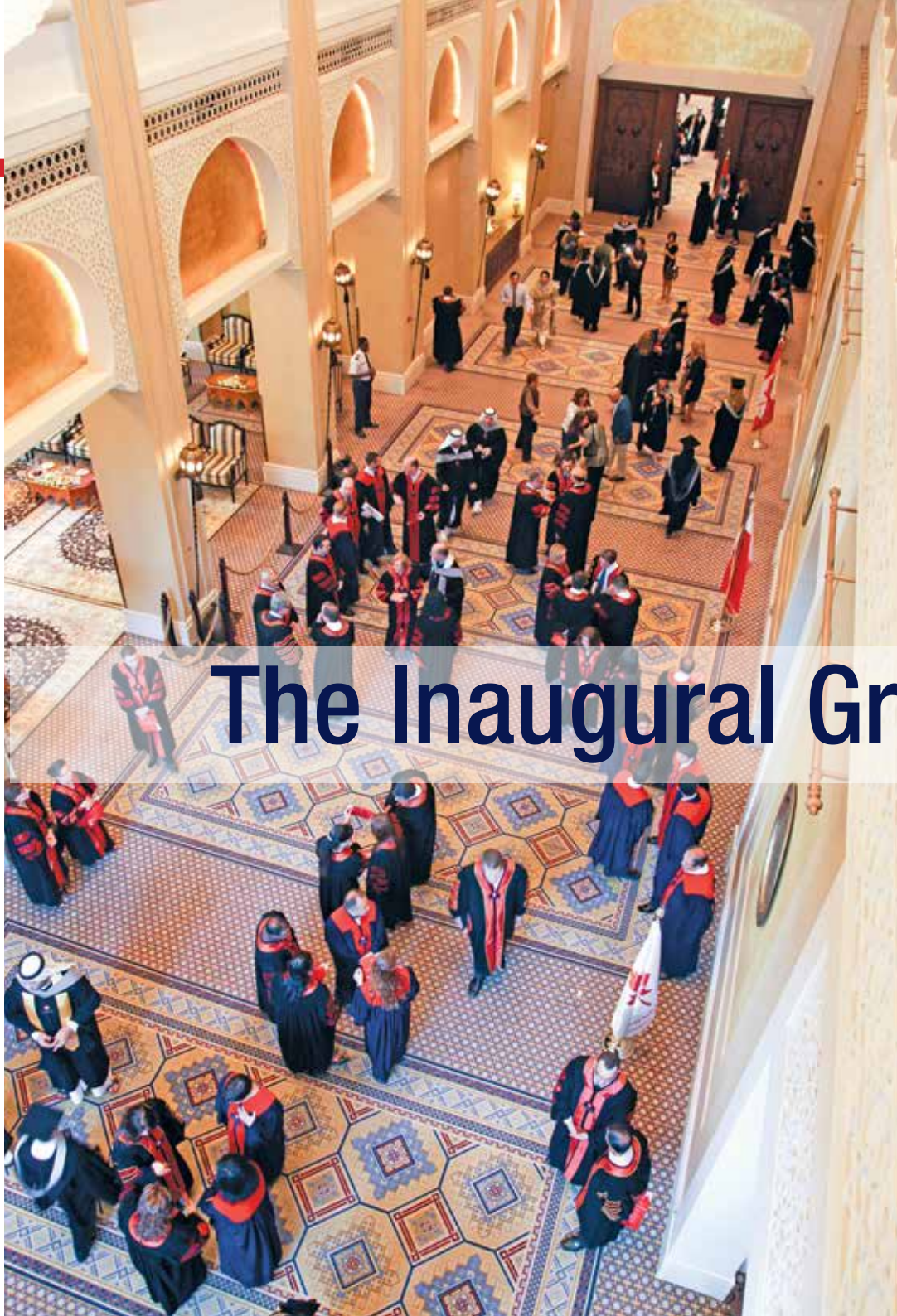
The Graduate Studies Division is very pleased to

announce that we now have a total of five MBA degrees! Three new degrees in Islamic Banking, Finance and Marketing have joined our offerings in Human Resource Management and General Management.

International education is at the core of our strategy and learning methodologies; consequently our affiliation with renowned academic establishments. We work closely with our partners abroad to ensure that our students are offered high quality education. Through our various Canadian and European university partnerships our students will have the opportunity to take a course in Canada during the summer to experience the essence of education in a western society, and above all to learn and appreciate a new culture which in itself is a lifetime experience.

Dr. John Newark
MBA Director

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We wish you all the best in your career path!*



The Inaugural Graduation Program





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H.H. Sheikh Nahyan Bin Mubarak Al Nahyan
UAE Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research

Canadian University of Dubai
Cordially invites you to
attend its inaugural convocation ceremony

Tuesday May 31, 2011 at 11 am

Johara Ballroom

Mina A'Salam, Madinat Jumeirah

Dubai, UAE

RSVP Ms. Tracey Lloyd, +971 4 709 6110, tracey@tud.ac.ae

2011 May 31

CANADIAN UNIVERSITY OF DUBAI

Inspiring Minds Transforming Lives

On 30th May 2011, The Canadian University of Dubai (CUD) held its Inaugural Graduation Ceremony at Mina A'Salam, Madinat Jumeirah.

Held under the patronage of H.E. Sheikh Nahayan Bin Mubarak Al Nahayan, UAE Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, the ceremony awarded degrees to more than 200 candidates from the schools of Engineering, Applied Sciences and Technology, the School of Business Administration and the Graduate Studies Division.

Honored guests at the ceremony included the former Prime Minister of Canada, the Right Honorable Joseph (Joe) Clark who received a Doctorate of Letters Honoris Causa.

CUD opened its doors in September 2006 and currently has a student body of more than 1800 students in its academic and corporate training programs; from more than 86 nationalities, reflecting the diverse multiculturalism of Canada and the UAE.

CUD promotes Canadian perspectives in learning with a grounded appreciation and respect for UAE values. The Canadian University of Dubai is committed to providing students with an international academic experience, guided by the highest educational and corporate ethics.

CUD is strategically located in the heart of Dubai's financial, business and tourist district; just off Sheikh Zayed Road at the first interchange.



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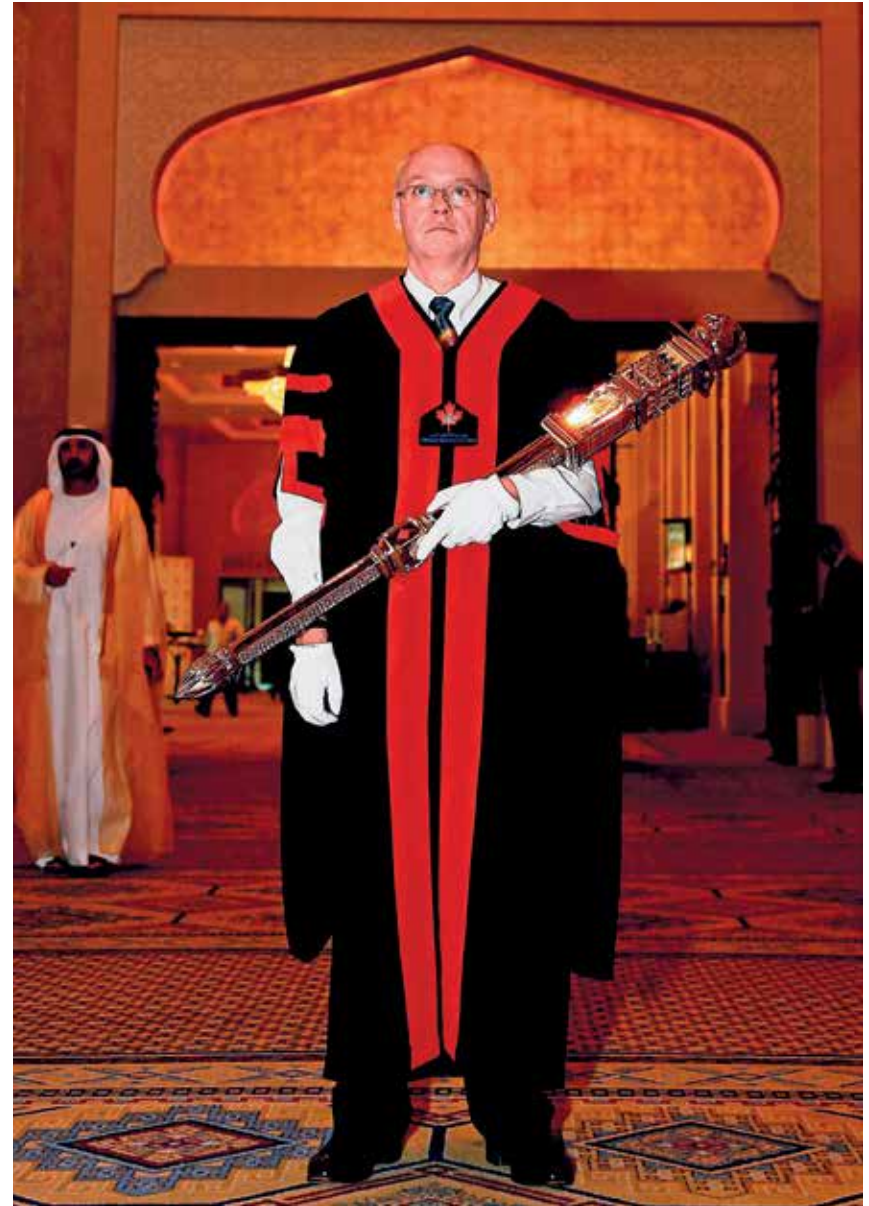




The University Mace

The mace symbolizes the authority and independence of a chartered university and the authority vested in the senior academic administrator. The mace is carried at the beginning of a convocation (graduation) ceremony.

CUD's Mace pays homage to the rich cultural history of the UAE. The open book represents knowledge. The globe represents empowerment of the brotherhood and sisterhood of mankind. The wind tower represents the history and culture of the UAE. The four different doors represents the different architectural styles of the Arab-Islamic culture and civilization. Nearing the lower end of the mace we see the name of the University in English and Arabic, the CUD logo and the geographical representation of the United Arab Emirates and Canada.



Academic Regalia

Academic dress originated in medieval times to provide warmth in the cold, damp halls of learning. Today it includes a gown, hood (worn over the shoulders), and a mortarboard.

All universities have distinctive dresses for each degree available, which highlights the variety of courses offered at the University. The Canadian University of Dubai's academic dress conforms to the North American Admission code.

All graduates wear a black gown which varies according to the level of degree obtained. The bachelor's gown is distinguished by its pointed sleeves. The master's gown has closed long sleeves with an opening. Doctorate gowns have large sleeves with three velvet stripes.

The color of the hood indicates the degree of the school. The hood colors for this year's graduates are listed below:

- Bachelor of Business Administration in the School of Business is drab (gray).
- Bachelor Computer Networking Engineering Technology in the School of Engineering, Applied Science and Technology is orange.
- Bachelor of Science in Telecommunication Engineering in the School of Engineering, Applied Science and Technology is orange.

The width of edging is determined by the level of the degree. Higher degrees have wider edging. The Doctoral degree hoods have gold trim.

Staff members of the University wear a blue gown with red trim and the crest of CUD. The instructional faculty of the University wear a black doctoral gown trimmed in red with three red stripes. Members of the University's senior administration wear black doctoral gowns with four stripes of red bordered in gold.



Academic Honors

Upon successful completion of an undergraduate and graduate degree program, graduates are awarded a Certificate of Merit based on the cumulative grade point average. The three highest levels of academic merits are:

Cum Laude (With Praise) (CGPA 3.50 to 3.69)

Magna Cum Laude (With Great Praise) (CGPA 3.70 to 3.89)

Summa Cum Laude (With Highest Praise) (CGPA 3.90 to 4.0)

Honorary Degrees

Honorary degrees are awarded to recognize individuals who have made outstanding lifetime contributions to society. These contributions may be in the arts, sciences, international peace and development, education and other fields.

Award of the Honorary Doctorate

Degree of Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) Honoris Causa
The Right Honorable Charles Joseph (Joe) Clark

The Right Honorable Charles Joseph Clark is a distinguished Canadian citizen who has had a long career as a journalist, politician, statesman, businessman and university professor. Canada's sixteenth and youngest Prime Minister, he also served with distinction as Secretary of State for External Affairs, President of the Privy Council and Minister responsible for Constitutional Affairs. His talent for negotiation and consensus diplomacy has served Canada and the rest of the world very well.

On foreign policy matters Clark often ignored the politically easy path, preferring a bold position based on a principled preference for fairness and justice. As a Representative of the Secretary General of the United Nations, Clark involved himself in negotiations between opposing parties in many troubled spots in the world including Cyprus in 1993-94. He is a most respected statesman and he is recognised as a prominent Canadian leader internationally.



Today we celebrate the achievements of this extraordinary man. Today we honor this distinguished statesman for his lifelong service to humanity, his commitment to fairness and justice, and for his voice of modernity. He has created a better world and contributed to world peace through his concern for the poor and suffering. We recognize his invaluable contributions to Canada and rest of the world by conferring the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) Honoris Causa on The Right Honorable Joseph Clark.



Address by H.H. Sheikh Nahayan Bin Mubarak Al Nahayan



In the Name of God, Almighty Praise be to Allah, and peace and blessings be upon His Messengers,

Joe Clark, former Prime Minister of Canada, graduates, distinguished guests:

Allah's peace, mercy and blessing be upon you.

My greetings to you all and I welcome Joe Clark, former Prime Minister of Canada. I am very pleased to be here with you today at CUD's Inaugural Graduation Ceremony. As we all know, the first class to graduate always has a distinguished standing for the University. This graduation is an occasion to shed light on the University message and to remind us of the hopes and prospects vested in it. It is also an occasion for you and your University family members, to express your pride for your achievements within this University and to look forward to the future with confidence, satisfaction and optimism.

The Inaugural Graduation Ceremony is a crucial event in the history of the University, through which we congratulate all the graduates. We congratulate them for their work, commitment and success in attaining their degrees. We believe they are pioneers in the history of the Canadian University of Dubai and in what they have achieved in their studies and what they may accomplish in the future will also be an essential factor in shaping the formation of the University and drawing its path on a strong and solid basis.

Your graduation today is a significant step forward towards your growth and progress in life. With all the knowledge and capabilities you gained throughout your study at CUD, you shall become an effective element of qualified manpower capable of dealing with this modern age, whether in the society or across the world.

Our celebration today expresses our great confidence in your role in serving the society and individuals, and contributing to the development in every field, in line with our hopes and aspirations.

Brothers and sisters, through this ceremony, we would also like to express our gratitude and appreciation to all who have contributed in the establishment of CUD and in drawing its path, which indeed turned out to be highly successful. I would like to thank the Administrative Council of CUD and all the faculty members and staff. I would also like to express my gratitude for the University's dedication to achieve academic excellence, for its commitment to promote a strong cooperation with a number of international universities, to achieve all its desired goals and maintain its good reputation as CUD aims to continue to be a good model for international cooperation in the field of education; contributing effectively in developing communication and cooperation between nations and peoples.

This Inaugural Graduation Ceremony is also an occasion to appreciate the role of universities, particularly the successful ones, in this era. This role is not only highlighted and emphasized in light of the importance of scientific excellence in all fields, but also in the framework of establishing a knowledge-based economy in various societies; in addition to the importance of education in

seeking a world full of peace, love and coexistence. Under the wise leadership of H.H Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the UAE, may God protect him, and under the guidance of H.H. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, the UAE places education at the top of its priorities and is highly committed to keeping all UAE universities and colleges at the highest level of quality and excellence. I hope that the Canadian University of Dubai is a true addition to the path of education in Dubai and the UAE. I call on God Almighty to make this occasion today a key step in this path and to soon celebrate the success of the University in achieving its desired goals and objectives.

Distinguished guests, once again, I congratulate the graduates, wishing them success and prosperity. My advice to you, dear graduates, is to always be a good example of devotion to work and commitment to duties. Employ your utmost efforts and work on exploiting all your energies and capabilities given by God to you. Always remember that education never ceases. Your future success relies on your quest and desire towards life-long learning. I hope you become an example of a committed, capable graduate and a qualified representative of the Canadian University of Dubai.

Finally, I would like to congratulate your families and relatives for your significant accomplishments we are celebrating today. I would also like to congratulate the members of the faculty and staff and call on God to enlighten your lives with success and prosperity.

God's peace, mercy and blessing be upon you.

كلمة معالي الشيخ نهيان بن مبارك وزير التعليم العالي والبحث العلمي

سعادة / جو كلارك ، رئيس وزراء كندا السابق ،
الخريجون والخريجات ،
أيها الحفل الكريم :

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته،

أحبيكم، وأرحب بسعادة جو كلارك ، رئيس وزراء كندا السابق، ويسرني كثيراً أن أكون معكم اليوم في حفل تخريج الدفعة الأولى، من الجامعة الكندية في دبي . وكما نعلم جميعاً، فإن الدفعة الأولى، لها دائماً مكانة خاصة، كما أن مناسبة تخرجهم، تدفع إلى تسليط الضوء على رسالة الجامعة، وتُذكر بالآمال المنوطة بها، والطموحات المتوقعة منها . إنها كذلك، مناسبة لكم جميعاً، أنتم أفراد أسرة الجامعة، للاعتزاز بإنجازات الجامعة، خلال سنواتها الأولى، وللنظر إلى المستقبل، بثقةٍ وتفاؤلٍ واطمئنانٍ.

إن تخريج الدفعة الأولى، هو حدثٌ مهم في تاريخ الجامعة، عبر فيه أولاً وقبل كل شيء، عن خالص التهنئة لهؤلاء الخريجين والخريجات: نهنتهم على عملهم ، ومثابرتهم، ونجاحهم في الحصول على درجاتهم العلمية . إننا نهنتهم أيضاً، باعتبارهم رواداً في تاريخ هذه الجامعة، بل وباعتبار أن ما حققوه في دراساتهم، وما نأمل أن يحققوه في حياتهم، سوف يكون عاملاً أساسياً، في تشكيل سمعة الجامعة الكندية في دبي، وإرساء مسيرتها، على أسس قوية ومتينة.

إن تخرجكم اليوم، أيها الخريجون والخريجات، يمثل خطوة هامة، على طريق نموكم وتقدمكم في الحياة. كما أنّ المعارف والقدرات التي حصلتموها في الجامعة، سوف تجعل منكم، عنصراً فاعلاً، في القوة البشرية المؤهلة، والقادرة على التعامل مع معطيات العصر، سواء في المجتمع، أو العالم.

إن احتفالنا اليوم بكم، إنما هو تعبيرٌ عن ثقنتنا الكبيرة ، في أن دوركم في خدمة المجتمع والإنسان ، ومساهماتكم في إنجازات التطور في كل مجال ، سوف تكون بإذن الله ، على مستوى كافة الآمال والطموحات .

أيها الإخوة والأخوات:

إن تخريج هذه الدفعة الأولى، إنما هو مناسبة مواتية، نعبر فيها أيضاً، عن الشكر والتقدير، لكل من كان له فضل، في تأسيس هذه الجامعة في دبي، وتوجيه مسيرتها، على هذا النحو الجيد. إنني أحيي اليوم، مجلس إدارة الجامعة، وكافة أعضاء هيئة التدريس، والعاملين فيها، كما أحيي أيضاً، التزام الجامعة، بتحقيق التميز الأكاديمي، وحرصها على التعاون الوثيق، مع عددٍ كبيرٍ من الجامعات العالمية، حتى يتحقق لها بإذن الله، ما تسعى إليه من إنجازٍ مرموق، وسمعةٍ طيبة، وحتى تكون دائماً، نموذجاً جيداً، للتعاون الدولي، في مجال التعليم: تسهم بفاعلية، في تحقيق التواصل والتعاون، بين الأمم والشعوب.

إن هذا الاحتفال بالدفعة الأولى، في هذه الجامعة، إنما هو أيضاً، مناسبة تقدر فيها دور الجامعات في هذا العصر. والجامعات الناجحة منها على وجه الخصوص . وهو دورٌ يبرز ويتأكد، في ضوء أهمية التفوق العلمي، في شتى المجالات، بل وأيضاً، في إطار التوجه إلى تأسيس الاقتصاد القائم على المعرفة، في مختلف المجتمعات، بالإضافة إلى أهمية التعليم، في إيجاد عالم يسوده السلام، والمحبة، والتعايش . إن دولة الإمارات العربية المتحدة، في ظل القيادة الحكيمة، لصاحب السمو الوالد، الشيخ خليفة بن زايد آل نهيان، رئيس الدولة. حفظه الله . وفي إطار توجيهات صاحب السمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد آل مكتوم، نائب رئيس الدولة، رئيس مجلس الوزراء، حاكم دبي، تضع التعليم على قمة أولوياتها، وتحرص كل الحرص، على أن تكون

الجامعات والكليات في الدولة، على أعلى مستوى من الجودة والتميز . إنني أمل، أن تكون الجامعة الكندية في دبي، إضافةً حقيقيةً لهذه المسيرة، في دبي ودولة الإمارات، وأدعو المولى سبحانه وتعالى، أن تكون مناسبة اليوم، خطوةً مهمةً على هذا الطريق، وأن نرى الجامعة عما قريب، وقد نجحت في تحقيق كل ما ننتظره منها، من أهدافٍ وغاياتٍ.

أيها الحفل الكريم:

مرةً أخرى، أهنيئ الخريجين والخريجات، راجياً لهم النجاح والتوفيق: إن نصيحتي لكم أيها الخريجون والخريجات، هي أن تكونوا دائماً، مثلاً للإخلاص في العمل، والالتزام بالواجب: تبذلون أقصى الجهد، وتعملون على الإفادة، من كل ما وهبه الله لكم، من طاقاتٍ وإمكانات، ولتتذكروا دائماً، أن التعليم في هذا العصر، لا يتوقف، وأن نجاحكم في المستقبل، يعتمد على سعيكم وحرصكم على التعلم الدائم والمستمر . كونوا بعون الله ، مثلاً للخريج القادر والملتزم ، وممثلين أكفاء، للجامعة الكندية في دبي.

في ختام كلمتي إليكم، أهنيئ أيضاً أسركم وذويكم، بإنجازاتكم المهمة، التي تحتفل بها اليوم، كما أهنيئ كذلك ، أعضاء هيئة التدريس والعاملين في الجامعة ، وأدعو الله لكم جميعاً ، بالنجاح والتوفيق.

والسلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته.

Address by The Right Honorable Joe Clark



Your Highness Sheikh Nahayan Bin Mubarak Al Nahayan, Chancellor Buti, Vice-Chancellor Chelli, members of the board of the Canadian University of Dubai, your Excellencies, members of this historic graduating

class, ladies and gentlemen.

It is a great privilege for me to receive this Honorary Degree and to participate in this convocation, which marks a historic step forward, both for each of you as graduates, and for the Canadian University of Dubai. I congratulate each graduate – and also your families – for the work done to bring yourselves this far, and for your ability to now build an even stronger future.

May I also, on my behalf and that of my wife, Maureen McTeer, thank the authorities of the United Arab Emirates, and of Dubai, for the welcome you have extended to us, and to the Canadian members of the Board, and for the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the history, the remarkable accomplishments, and the high aspirations of your impressive country.

This graduation is a landmark for this University – you are the first graduating class of the Canadian University of Dubai. This all began as an idea: the idea that a new university here - with connections to Canada, and Europe, and the world - could provide students from the Emirates and from

everywhere with practical learning, which you can put to work in building lives, countries, and careers.

Today, that idea has become a reality. The University is established, the idea is more than a great promise; it is now an established reality.

And you, graduates, are on your way. You have more than knowledge – you have proved that you can achieve. You have more confidence that you can make a difference. And you have built networks here, connections with people and with possibilities that were not there before. Never underestimate what you can do.

Some fifty years ago I sat, like you, in a graduating class. We had no idea then of the changes that would transform our world - no idea of the internet, no idea that humans would be able to fly in space, no idea that the small historic communities by “The Creek” could be transformed into the modern metropolis of Dubai.

And you have no idea what your world will become - or what personal role you might play in the transformations that surely lay ahead. Who will be the next great Arab economist or artist? Who here will be the next Bill Gates? Which of you will shape the future?

It is one thing to visit other countries, and to see things you have never seen at home. That is invaluable, and many of you are privileged to be doing that so early in your lives. You will always carry those images in your memory, as a reminder of how much there is to see and do and learn in the world.

The real test is not to fill your memory, but to open your

mind - to open your thinking, to see the world as it is seen by people whose cultures, beliefs, and experiences are profoundly different from your own. That is the true gift of your generation.

People can always travel, and see new things - but you are the pioneering citizens of a world so connected, that you can literally live in a variety of cultures, learn their strengths, bring them together, and build societies better than you knew.

If you will choose – which is now the real challenge for each of you – what do you choose to do with your bright future?

From Canada’s perspective, the university expresses a tradition which has been a defining influence on the country’s role in the world. The strong and positive reputation which Canada had long enjoyed in Africa, and Asia, was based heavily on the high standards of teaching, and the schools established by missionaries who travelled there from Canada more than a century ago. It was then reinforced by the exchanges and scholarships which flowed from that beginning.

Education has always been a way in which Canada connected with other cultures and continents, and its benefits ran both ways. We learn as much as we teach, and so we build the base of broad cooperation, rooted in mutual understanding.

This first Convocation, in this first Canadian University of Dubai, is a historic milestone. Not just in the lives of you graduates, but in the relations between Canada and the United Arab Emirates, countries which have more in common than might appear.

What the world notes now of the United Arab Emirates – this young country, this ancient civilization - is how fast you have grown.

But what is truly remarkable is not the speed of your growth, but the evident determination to seize and build the future; the imagination that is reflected in your striking architecture, and the respect for human difference that is evident in the cultural diversity of this University, and of this country.

One of the common bonds between Canada and the United Arab Emirates is that, in our own way, we each seek to draw together the past and the future.

My country, whose institutions and influence have brought us to the table of the G-8 economies, and of other international initiatives, is attractive and strong precisely because we have always been more than an economy – we have a deep tradition of diversity, and a profound and active respect for different cultures.

And here too, both the dynamism and the example of the Emirates are cultural as well as economic, imaginative, and forward-looking.

We all know that, in an earlier age, education often followed business; but you clearly understand that,

in this knowledge economy, business now follows education.

There is a broader purpose to this University. In an earlier time, learning and respecting other cultures were simply personal goals - they enriched our lives. Now, learning and respect have also become a personal and international necessity – they are the key, for each of you, to finding the jobs and facing the challenges that will make you stronger and more successful. They are also the key for the world we share.

This is a new time. The old cold war was driven by conflicts of ideology – and the period that immediately succeeded the cold war was driven by faith in trade and economic growth. But today, the critical issue is to find durable ways for different cultures to thrive together.

In such a world, an indispensable talent is the ability to draw differences together, to manage and respect diversity, and to earn and generate trust. That is a central part of what you have learned to do as the first graduating class of the Canadian University of Dubai. That is what the two countries represent in different ways. And that is what makes this partnership, which is at the heart of the Canadian University of Dubai, so promising and so valuable.



*Congratulations as you graduate today
and spread out to shape tomorrow.*

Thank you.



شخصية أغنت حياتنا. أما اليوم فقد أضحي التعلم والاحترام ضرورة شخصية وعالمية - إنهما المفتاح بالنسبة لكل واحد منكم لإيجاد فرص العمل ومجابهة التحديات التي ستجعلكم أكثر قوة ونجاحا. لكنهما أيضا مفتاح هذا العالم الذي نتقاسمه.

إننا اليوم في عصر جديد. فبعد أن كان الدافع وراء الحرب الباردة القديمة هو الصراعات الإيديولوجية - وكان الدافع خلال الفترة التي أعقبت الحرب الباردة هو الإيمان بالتجارة والنمو الاقتصادي، فإن المسألة الحاسمة الآن تتمثل في إيجاد سبل دائمة تمكن الثقافات المختلفة من التعايش والازدهار مع بعضها البعض.

وفي عالم كهذا، فإن إحدى القدرات التي لا غنى عنها هي القدرة على تذليل الاختلافات، وتدبير التنوع الثقافي واحترامه، وكسب الثقة وتوليدها. وهذا جزء أساسي مما تعلمتموه كأعضاء الدفعة الأولى من خريجي وخريجات الجامعة الكندية في دبي. وهذا ما يمثل البلدان، كندا والإمارات العربية المتحدة، كل بطريقته المختلفة. وهذا كذلك ما يجعل هذه الشراكة، التي تقع في صميم وجوه الجامعة الكندية في دبي، واعدة جداً وقيمة للغاية.

تهانينا لكم أيها الخريجون الكرام وأنتم تتخرجون اليوم من هذه الجامعة الغراء وتمضون لبناء غد أفضل. وشكراً لكم.

لكن ما يثير الدهول حقاً ليس سرعة النمو، بل تصميمكم الواضح وعزمكم الثابت على المضي قدماً وبناء المستقبل؛ والخيال الواسع الذي ينعكس في معماركم المبههر؛ وكذا احترامكم للاختلاف البشري الذي يبدو جلياً في التنوع الثقافي لهذه الجامعة ولهذا البلد.

ومن بين الروابط المشتركة بين كندا والإمارات العربية المتحدة أن كلا البلدين يسعيان، كل بطريقته الخاصة، إلى الجمع بين الماضي والمستقبل، وبين الأصالة والمعاصرة. وإن بلدي، كندا، الذي ساهمت مؤسساته وتأثيره الدولي في انضمامنا إلى اقتصاديات مجموعة الثمانية (G-8)، وإلى مبادرات دولية أخرى، يتمتع بالجاذبية والقوة ذلك بالتحديد لأننا كنا دائماً أكثر من مجرد اقتصاد - حيث لدينا تقاليد عريقة في التنوع، واحترام عميق للتعديدية الثقافية وللحضارات المختلفة.

وهنا أيضاً، فإن حركية دولة الإمارات ونموذجها المتميز ينعكسان في ثقافة البلد وكذلك في اقتصاده - الذي يتمتع بعمق الخيال والإبداع واستشراف المستقبل.

وكما نعلم جميعاً، فإن التعليم فيما مضى غالباً ما كان يعقب العمل؛ ولكنكم تعرفون الآن بشكل واضح أنه في عصر اقتصاد المعرفة، فإن العمل هو الذي يعقب التعليم.

يبد أنه ثمة هدفاً أوسع لهذه الجامعة. ففي وقت مبكر، كان التعلم واحترام الثقافات الأخرى مجرد أهداف

كلمة فخامة تشارلز جوزيف كلارك، رئيس الوزراء الكندي السابق

معالي الشيخ نهيان بن مبارك آل نهيان، وزير التعليم العالي والبحث العلمي،

سعادة بطي سعيد الكندي، رئيس مجلس الأمناء، رئيس الجامعة،
سعادة البروفيسور كريم شلي، نائب رئيس مجلس الأمناء، مدير الجامعة،
السادة أعضاء مجلس إدارة الجامعة،
أصحاب المعالي والسعادة،
أعضاء هذه الدفعة التاريخية من الخريجين والخريجات الكرام،
أيها السادة والسيدات،

إنه لمن عظيم الشرف أن أُنح هذه الشهادة الفخرية وأن أشارككم فرحة الاحتفال في هذا الحفل الكريم الذي يمثل خطوة تاريخية نحو الأمام سواء بالنسبة لكم أنتم الخريجون أو بالنسبة للجامعة الكندية في دبي. وأود أن أهني كل الخريجين والخريجات - وأهني أهليكم وذويكم - على العمل الجبار الذي قمتم به لتبلغوا ما بلغتموه اليوم وعلى ما اكتسبتموه من قدرة على رفع التحديات وبناء مستقبل أكثر إشراقاً وقوة.

اسمحوا لي أيضاً أن أتوجه بالشكر، أصالة عن نفسي ونيابة عن زوجتي ماورين ماكتير، إلى سلطات دولة الإمارات العربية المتحدة، وإمارة دبي على ترحيبكم بنا وبأعضاء مجلس الإدارة الكنديين، وعلى هذه الفرصة الطيبة التي منحتمونا إياها لاكتساب فهم أعمق لتاريخ بلدكم الرابع وإنجازاته الهائلة وطموحاته العالية.

إن حفل تخرجكم هذا يمثل علامة فارقة لهذه الجامعة الغراء - فأنتم أول فوج يتخرج من الجامعة الكندية في دبي. وكل هذا بدأ كفكرة: فكرة مفادها أن تأسس جامعة جديدة هنا - تكون لها علاقات مع كندا وأوروبا والعالم - يمكن أن تزود الطلبة من دولة الإمارات ومن كل مكان في العالم، بتعليم عملي، تعليم يمكنكم تطبيقه لرسم مسار حياتكم الشخصية والمهنية والمساهمة في بناء أوطانكم. واليوم، فقد أصبحت هذه الفكرة حقيقة واقعة وتم تأسيس هذه الجامعة التي صارت إنجازاً ملموساً وليس مجرد وعود.

إنكم أيها الخريجون على الطريق الصحيح. فما لديكم هو أكثر من مجرد علم ومعرفة. لقد أثبتتم أنكم قادرين على تحقيق الإنجازات، ولديكم ثقة كبيرة بالنفس ستمكنكم لا محال من أحداث الفرق. ولقد بنيتم علاقات وعقدتم روابط مع أناس ومع امكانات لم تكن متاحة من قبل. فأوصيكم ألا تقللوا أبداً من شأن ما تستطيعون فعله.

وقبل نحو خمسين سنة خلت، جلست، مثلكم، ضمن كوكبة من الخريجين. ولم تكن لدينا أنداك أدنى فكرة عن التغييرات والتحولت التي ستغير وجه عالمنا اليوم - إذ لم تكن نملك أدنى فكرة عن الانترنت، ولا أدنى فكرة عن أن المجتمعات التاريخية الصغيرة التي استقرت بجوار «الخور» ستتحول إلى مدينة عالمية عصرية هي دبي.

وكذلك، ليس لديكم أدنى فكرة عما سيصبح عليه عالمكم في الغد - أو عن الدور الذي قد تلعبونه في خضم التحولات التي يخباها المستقبل بالتأكيد. فمن منكم سيكون العالم الاقتصادي أو الفنان العربي العظيم التالي؟ ومن منكم هنا سيصبح بيل غايتس التالي؟ ومن منكم سيحدد شكل المستقبل؟

إنه الأمر مثير للاهتمام أن تزور بلداناً أخرى، وترى هناك أشياء لم تكن لتراها أبداً في بلدك الأصلي. إنها تجربة لا تقدر بثمن، والكثير منكم محظوظون للقيام بذلك في وقت مبكر جداً من حياتهم. وستظل تلك الصور راسخة في أذهانكم لتذكركم بالكم الهائل من الأشياء التي يمكنكم اكتشافها وتعلمها في العالم.

لكن الاختبار الحقيقي ليس ملء ذاكرتكم، وإنما هو فتح عقولكم وتفكيركم لرؤية العالم كما يراه الناس الذين تختلف ثقافتهم ومعتقداتهم وتجاربهم تمام الاختلاف عن ثقافتكم ومعتقداتكم وتجاربكم. وهذه هي الهبة الحقيقية التي حباي الله بها جيلكم.

ورغم أنه بإمكان الناس عموماً أن يسافروا على الدوام، ويتعلموا أشياء جديدة، إلا أنكم أنتم المواطنون الرواد لعالم شديد الارتباط بحيث يمكنكم العيش فيه ضمن مجموعة مختلفة من الثقافات، واستكشاف نقاط القوة لدى كل ثقافة، والاستفادة منها لبناء مجتمعات أفضل مما كنتم تعرفون. إذا أتحت لكم إمكانية الاختيار - وهذا هو التحدي الحقيقي لكل منكم - فماذا ستختارون أن تفعلوا بمستقبلكم المشرق؟

إن هذه الجامعة، من وجهة نظر كندا، تعبر عن تقليد راسخ كان له تأثير حاسم في تحديد دور كندا في العالم. ذلك أن السمعة القوية والإيجابية التي لطالما تمتع بها بلدي في أفريقيا وآسيا، اعتمدت بشكل كبير على معايير التعليم العالية والمدارس المتميزة التي أنشأتها البعثات التبشيرية التي سافرت إلى هناك انطلاقاً من كندا منذ ما ينيف عن قرن من الزمان - وبعد ذلك تعززت هذه السمعة من خلال التبادلات والمنح الدراسية التي شهدت ازدهار مضطرباً منذ ذلك الحين.

ومن هنا، فإن التعليم كان دائماً ولا يزال بمثابة الجسر الذي تواصلت من خلاله كندا مع باقي الثقافات والقارات. وقد كان النفع والإفادة متبادلين - حيث إننا نتعلم بقدر ما نعلم، وبذلك نبني القواعد لتعاون واسع النطاق، أسسه التفاهم المتبادل.

إن حفل التخرج الأول هذا، في هذه الجامعة الكندية الأولى في دبي، ليعد انجازاً تاريخياً، ليس فحسب في حياتكم أنتم الخريجون، ولكن أيضاً في العلاقات بين كندا والإمارات العربية المتحدة، اللذين تربطهما قواسم مشتركة أكثر مما قد يبدو لنا.

ولعل ما يلاحظه العالم الآن عن دولة الإمارات العربية المتحدة - هذا البلد الفتى، وهذه الحضارة الضاربة في القدم - هو السرعة الخارقة التي نمت بها البلد وازدهر في فترة وجيزة.

A Message from Mr. Buti Saeed Al Ghandi and Prof. Karim Chelli

To the members of the Board, trustees, faculty, staff, family, friends, proud-parents and above all our fellow graduates! We are honored to share this important occasion with you.

Congratulations to each and every one of you who graduated on 31st May 2011. This is a magnificent achievement! We believe higher education is exceptionally significant and you, Class of 2011, will always hold a special place in the history of Canadian University of Dubai as there can only be one "first" graduating batch.

Fellow graduates, this year we have finished something significant together. At this momentous time, we are extremely proud to see the hard work and dedication that you have presented in achieving your University qualifications. The opportunity for us is to keep climbing heights we have never achieved before. Your contribution to the world will not only be measured by the money you make or the accolades you receive, but by the way you share your unique gifts with the world. We - proud Chancellor and President - celebrate your accomplishments. This graduation will forever be special in our lives. Be proud of who you are today.

On behalf of the University and each graduate, we would also like to thank the faculty and administration staff of the Canadian University of Dubai for their hard work and dedication. We want to thank every one of you who has made this University what it is today. We have successfully built a great educational system here which is far more than a step between high school and the real world – it is a stepping stone to our futures.

We would like to thank CUD's international academic and business partners who have provided a model of academic cooperation. The Accreditation Council, acting under the authority and guidance of His Highness Sheikh Nahayan Bin Mubarak Al Nahayan, United Arab Emirates Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, has assured that all Canadian University of Dubai graduates have met the highest academic standards.

We also extend our gratitude to our honorary doctorate recipient, The Right Honorable Charles Joseph Clark. It is an honor and privilege to count him among us and be a part of our Inaugural Graduation Ceremony.

Go forth class of 2011 and make your unique contributions to Dubai, the UAE and the world!

Mr. Buti Saeed Al Ghandi
Chairman, Board of Trustees & Chancellor,
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Prof. Karim Chelli
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إلى أعضاء مجلس أمناء الجامعة، وأعضاء مجلس الإدارة، وأعضاء الهيئتين التدريسية والإدارية، إلى الأهالي والأصدقاء والآباء الفخورين وقبل كل شيء أعزائنا الخريجين نقول: إننا نشعر بالفخر والاعتزاز لمشاركتنا إياكم هذه المناسبة الهامة.

تهانينا الحارة لكل واحد منكم من الذين تخرجوا في هذا اليوم المبارك الموافق ٣١ مايو ٢٠١١. إن تخرجكم هذا لانجاز رائع. ونحن نعتقد أن التعليم العالي له أهمية استثنائية، وأنكم أيها الخريجون ستبوعون دائماً مكانة خاصة في تاريخ الجامعة الكندية في دبي حيث سوف لن يكون هناك سوى فوج «أول» واحد من الخريجين والخريجات.

أعزائنا الخريجين والخريجات، لقد حققنا إنجازاً مهماً معاً هذا العام. وخلال هذه اللحظات الخالدة، فإننا نفخر غاية الفخر برؤية العمل الجاد والمتقاني الذي قدمتموه للحصول على شهادتكم الجامعية. والفرصة أمامنا لمواصلة الصعود إلى قمم لم نصل إليها من قبل. وإن مساهمتكم في العالم لن تقاس بالمال الذي تجنونه ولا بالجوائز التي تحصلون عليها فحسب، بل بالأحرى بالطريقة التي تتفاسمون بها ما اكتسبتموه من علم ومعرفة مع العالم. إننا، نحن رئيس الجامعة ومديرها، نحفل فخورين كل الفخر بانجازاتكم. وإن حفل تخرجكم هذا سيكون دوماً وأبداً ذا دلالة خاصة في حياتنا. فافخروا بما وصلتم إليه اليوم.

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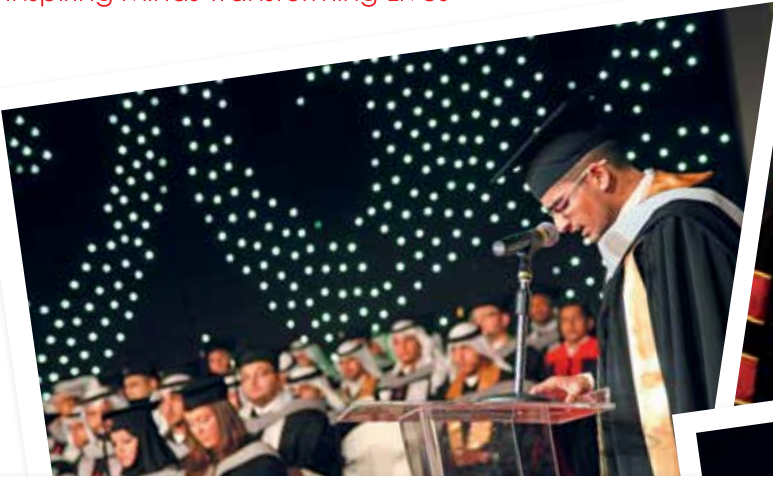
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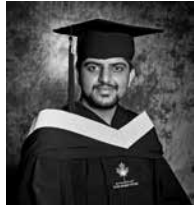
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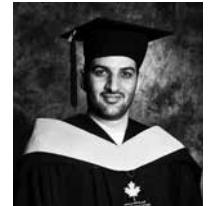
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Congratulations to our first graduating class

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Testimonials

My motto is "Never Say Never". It is never too late to study. It is never too late to invest in yourself and gain an MBA.

CUD is one of the leading universities in Dubai and is constantly growing. The University offers excellent opportunities for those pursuing a degree from an accredited academic institution. What attracted me to CUD was the weekend MBA they offer for students who are not able to attend weekdays classes. I am going to miss my friends, teachers, the class environment, and the team projects.

I chose the MBA program at CUD because I wanted to enhance my knowledge, build my skills, and change my career path. The MBA involved a lot of real life case studies, which prepared me for a managerial position, and made it easier for me to explore options to change the industry of my career. I worked in the Education sector, but after taking this program at CUD, I realized that I needed a change and moved to the shipbuilding sector which I find more interesting.

The MBA program at CUD also acts as a networking platform where I met students from different backgrounds and cultures and learned more about their work background and experiences.

*Farah Hamid
Graduate, Summa Cum Laude
Master of Business Administration*



Sajid Barkat
Master of Business Administration

Canadian University is a great school, with a variety of programs. It has flexible scheduling. The faculty is very much involved, and they helped me in so many ways. If I had a problem they were just an email away, and I always got a response right away.

The best part of this University program is that the staff is very concerned about you completing and understanding your program. It is a great school and I made a great choice to attend it. I recommend this school to anyone who is even thinking about returning or going to school.

Fatemah S. Hashemi
Graduate
Bachelor of Business Administration –
Human Resource Management



"I chose CUD for the quality of faculty, the reputation the University had in UAE and the diversity of the students available here. The MBA program was extremely well organized; faculty members are truly inspiring and the course content offers insights into many important aspects of Business in today's world. My experience while studying at CUD can be described in two words – extremely useful (during the MBA program I learnt all the things I need to fulfill my professional duties) and interesting (I have gained so many friends from different parts of the world, met distinguished professors and professionals). I would highly recommend this program. Thank you CUD"

At CUD I met great and creative minds from all over the world. The University makes the world a smaller place for me by bringing together creative minds from so many countries. Its multicultural environment enables us to understand different cultures and makes it easier for us to adapt and work anywhere in the world. CUD is a great place for higher education. It is affiliated with many universities abroad which allows for easy transfer, if students wish to study outside the Gulf. I found the professors and staff members very helpful throughout the student's journey in CUD. Filled with fun and great events throughout the year, it kept me occupied in healthy activities along with my academic studies.



I was given opportunities to participate in numerous activities and enjoyed being in charge of the Hip Hop Club during my first year at CUD. I had a great team of excellent dancers from Nigeria, Canada, Pakistan, India and other Arab countries. We performed as the "Jabbawockeez" on Global Day, participated in the Spring Fiesta and gave a tribute to Michael Jackson on Entertainment Night. Performing to Indian songs with the Desi Club was also a highlight. During my second year I gathered some of my friends and formed a dance crew and performed for the Pakistan Club on Global Day, taking first prize. We performed again for Pakistan Club the following year for Global Day and won first prize AGAIN. In addition to dancing, I was active in sports; Cricket and Volleyball to name a few.

I am thankful for the great time I had at CUD and the great friendships I formed while there.

Agha Akbar Hussain
Graduate
School of Business Administration - Marketing

I'm a working professional so my life can be quite hectic. When I first inquired about CUD's MBA offering I was looking for timing and flexibility, which were easily met by the University's intensive 1-year MBA program.

The program allowed me to study on weekends or evenings and carry on with my demanding work schedule. I'm told that CUD has begun offering some courses in both Arabic and English, so I really appreciate my school's constant efforts to tailor its programs to the unique needs and preferences of its individual enrollees.

Aishah Mosabbah Saeed Hashel Zahmi
Graduate
Master of Business Administration

To me CUD was an amazing university with a combination of great professors, amazing students, and a cool atmosphere. I learnt many things during my four years of studying at CUD, such as how we should never hesitate to give companies or any institution our feedback.

I would like to thank all of my friends and all of the professors that taught me, such as Dr. Diana, Dr. Benedikt, Mr. Ismail, and Ms. Rita. Special thanks to my favorite professors: Dr. Firend and Dr. Hamdan.

*Finally, I would love to share this quote with everyone:
"The optimist sees the rose and not its thorns; the pessimist stares at the thorns, oblivious to the rose" ~ Kahlil Gibran*

Asraa Al-Nimer
Graduate, Magna Cum Laude
Bachelor of Business Administration - Marketing



Testimonials

These days all companies want to be online; IT professionals can develop all the codes and programs necessary to build a website, an e-portal, or an intranet, but what those companies often lack are professionals able to develop e-Business strategies with a focus on ease of use, customer satisfaction and return on investment. With my degree in e-Business from Canadian University of Dubai (CUD) I felt I had a competitive edge over graduates from other universities. My e-Business degree gave me a unique selling point that made it much easier for me to be hired.

The CUD environment, professors and culture build entrepreneurs and delivers graduates that are experts in business processes. The community at CUD focusses on contributing to the growth of students. This is not taught in lectures or labs, and this is where CUD stands apart! I SIMPLY love the CUD campus!! It is VERY accessible and strategically located; large enough to keep us together as one community and we all know each other!

During my 4 years of studies, I never saw students grouped by nationality, or by language, or by religion. That simple fact helps prepare graduates for working in the multicultural environments found in so many companies. Finally, I would like to give a message to current and future CUD students; Enjoy the most from being at CUD, you will miss it...

*Ichrak Bennani
Graduate
Bachelor of Business Administration – e-Business*



When I first joined the Canadian University of Dubai, I was impressed with the multinational environment that I was becoming part of. Now I have made many friends with different backgrounds which added to my general experience and knowledge. The University has always encouraged me and assisted in my involvement in several academic and extra-curricular activities.

I would like to thank my business professors who have greatly expanded my knowledge of the modern business environment and the various theoretical perspectives of business foundations, organizational behavior, and marketing strategies. I would like to also thank my English instructors for their great support and valuable teachings in both descriptive writing and formal business writing; and I would like to thank my teachers in mathematics and the numerical side of business development for their constant encouragement.

During my time at CUD I have learned the value of conducting sound business practices with ethical foundations. I have also gained knowledge about the vast and complex plain in which marketing exists in our everyday life. I achieved an award for short story writing with well known national event organizers. I have definitely come a long way in terms of self-development in both personal and academic levels.

*Majed Ateya Saleh Abu Arisheh
Graduate
Bachelor of Business Administration - Marketing*



The last 4 years have been a journey! Every moment has been a joy. Although I am no more a CUD student, I can always hold on to the feeling that I am still part of the CUD family.

*Hussein Akberali
Graduate
Bachelor of Business Administration - e-Business*

"I was struggling for the past years to get my degree but I could not due to my work and family commitments. Fortunately, I discovered CUD. CUD gave me the flexibility with regards to time, exactly what I needed to complete my degree. I hereby extend my sincere gratitude to CUD who gave me the opportunity to achieve my life goal and wish the University a very prosperous and successful present and future."
Best regards,

Abdulrahman AIShehri
Graduate
Bachelor of Business Administration - Marketing

Special thanks for Dr. Benedikt Schwittay, who made a lasting impression on me, and who stands out in my memory. I had the unique opportunity to take Business Strategy course with you. You had high expectations for your students, and a great sense of humor. You let me find my own sunshine and gave me the experience to branch out into the world.

In the end I would say I will never forget your advice when you told me "The end is where you start from, there will be rewards to gain, challenges to face, and opportunities to encounter".

Regards,
Majd Bassam AlRamahi
Graduate
Master of Business Administration

I went to CUD for a year before I transferred abroad to study medicine in Romania.

CUD was definitely an experience of a lifetime for me. It physically and mentally prepared me for what a student's life should be like. I had courses, activities (such as the art club) and worked as a student assistant to the librarian. It kept me busy and my brain buzzin, in a good way though.

I was sorry to leave but my dream was, and still is, to be a doctor. I will never forget the year I spent there, or more like lived there, because it was, in a way, not just a community but a family. I am thankful that I chose CUD because it was a great experience. Due to great advice and wonderful support from superiors, I can say I'm more social and active today than I was before.

Basel Rahhal
Transfer Student
School of Environment and Health



I've always wanted to study in an international academic setting, but I didn't like the prospect of leaving Dubai. When I first entered CUD's campus, the first thing that struck me was the wide diversity of nationalities. I've heard that there are more than 80 nationalities represented here.

I found out that there was an after-school culture as well, which is great because I don't believe in confining learning to the four corners of the classroom. I like hearing the views of foreigners and getting into a friendly debate, discussion or challenge. I like to have fun too and it feels very special to share a laugh or a light moment with friends from different ethnic backgrounds and walks of life. The University also encourages us to participate in various extracurricular activities so there are many opportunities to bond with my peers and improve myself.

Jackson Stephen
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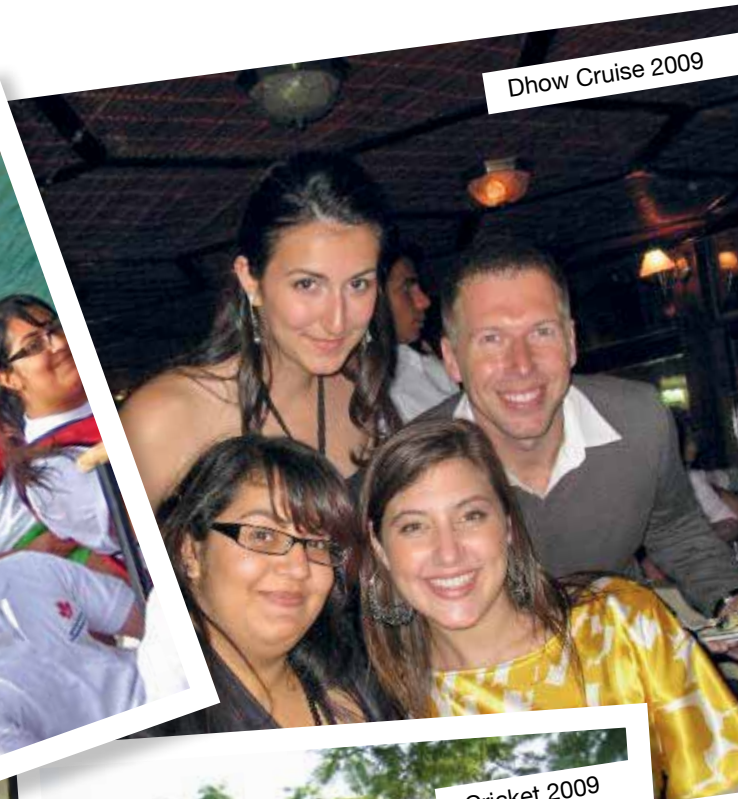
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Dragon Boating 2008



Dhow Cruise 2009



Soccer Challenge 2009



Air Show 2008



Cricket 2009



Global Day 2009



End of Year Party 2009



Bowling 2008



Dragon Boating 2010



Halloween 2009



Nigerian Debate Competition



Global Day 2010



DOTA Gaming 2010



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Safari 2010



Globe Trotters 2007



Global Day 2009



Soccer 2009



Kids for Wish Kids 2010



Dragon Boating 2010



Dragon Boating 2010



Global Day 2011



Sports Day 2008



Layia Football Charity 2010



Entertainment Night 2009



Halloween 2009



Dragon Boating 2007



Dragon Boating 2010



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Water Bucket Walkathon 2009



Nigerian National Day 2009



Breast Cancer Awareness Week 2010



BBQ 2007



Cricket Max Talent 2009



Kids for Wish Kids 2010



Global Day 2009



UAE National Day 2009



Race to the Last Gate 2009



Diwali 2009



Al Ain 2009



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Diwali 2009



Sports Day 2008



GETEX 2009



Dragon Boating 2009



Art Exhibition 2009





End of Year 2011



End of Year 2009



Fashion Show 2009



Fashion Show 2010



Al Ain 2009



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Paintball 2008



Dragon Boating 2009



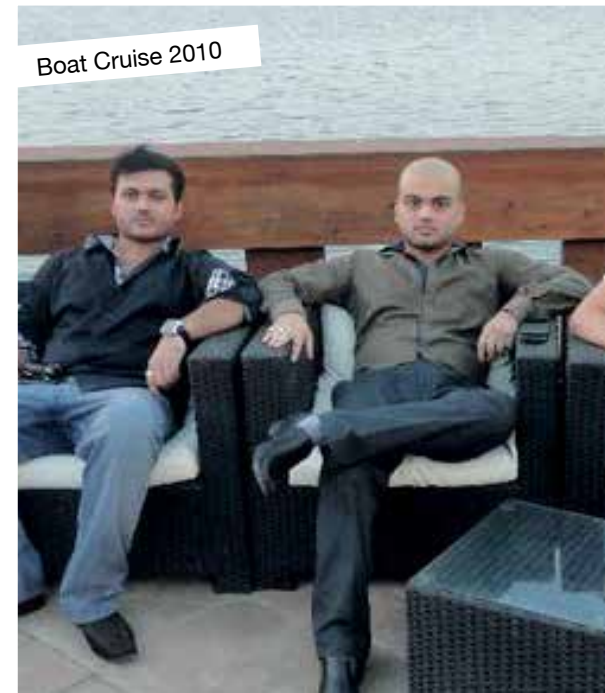
Global Day 2010



Cricket 2009



Global Day 2010



Boat Cruise 2010

Graduation Practice 2011



Dance Competition 2010



Global Day 2010



Race to the Last Gate 2009





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Soccer Tournament 2009



Fashion Show 2011



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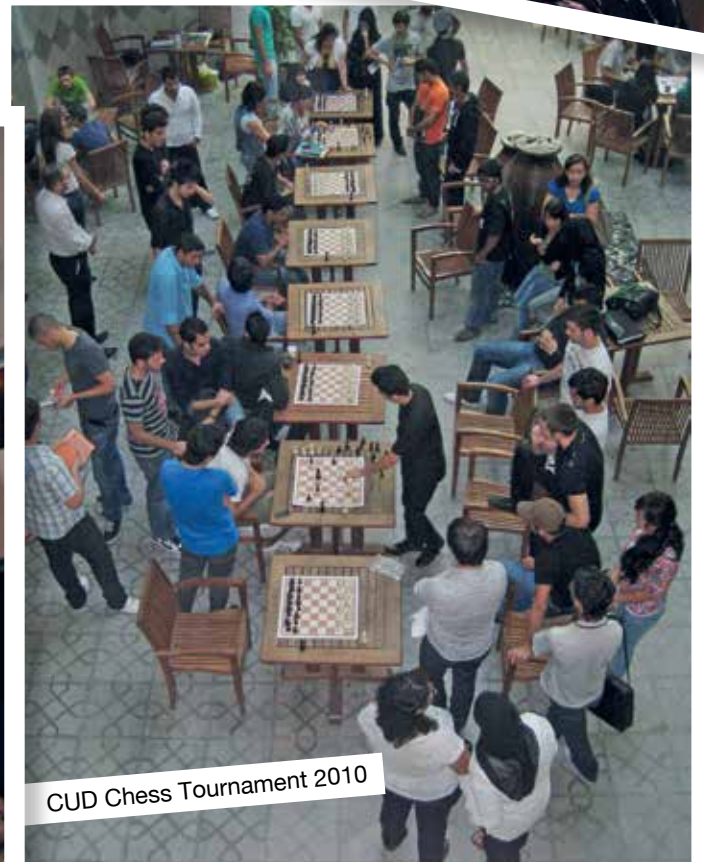
Global Day 2010



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CUD Chess Tournament 2010



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End of Year 2009



Entertainment Night 2009



Safari 2010



Fashion Show 2009

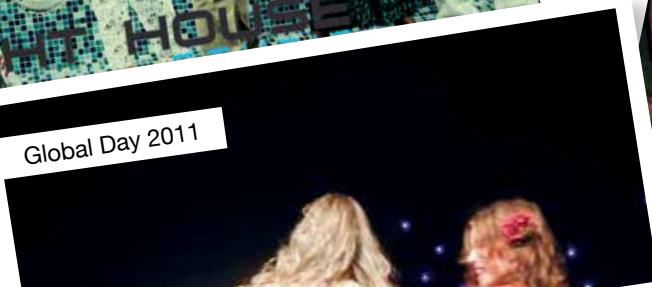
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Fashion Show 2011



Global Day 2011



Global Day 2010



Soccer 2007





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Chess 2010



Tennis 2009



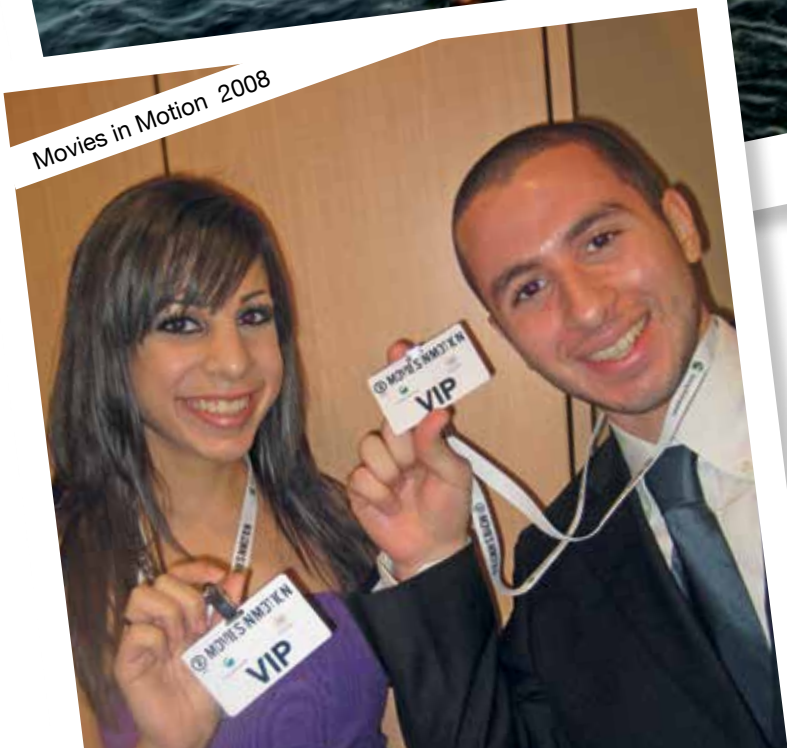


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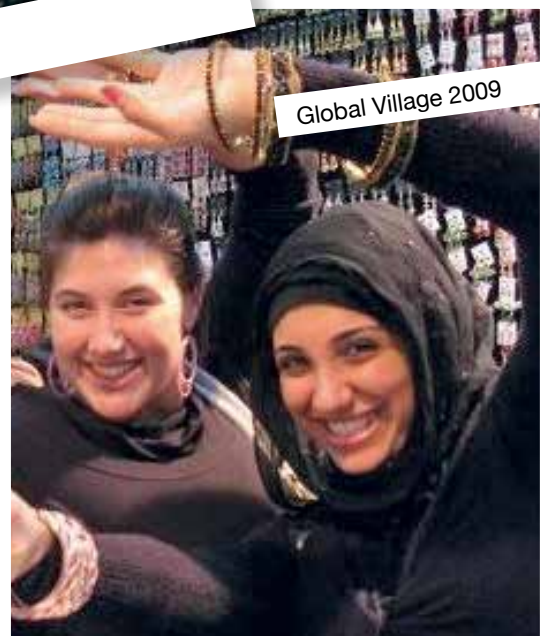


Pink Beading Day 2008

Inspire Dubai 2008



Movies in Motion 2008



Global Village 2009





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Global Day 2009



Tennis 2009



End of Year 2009



End of Year 2009



Fujairah 2008





From the left: Foteini Lavda – Marketing, Karen L. Peterson – Library, Tracey Lloyd – President’s Office, Mary Alison Lyman – Student Services

Congratulations! You worked hard for this great achievement

It has been so interesting looking back over the last four years, seeing all that we have accomplished in such a short time. So many cultures, so many different backgrounds, yet we were able to create a community that worked and played together. Our community has had countless experiences together; our first graduation, educational contests, sports competitions, guest lectures and symposia, fashion shows, talent competitions, charity events, cultural celebrations, Global Days, Entertainment Nights and much more.

It makes us very proud to have seen the dedication and hard work you put forth in order to reach this milestone. We join with you in celebrating your accomplishment.

Our hope is that you remember your time here at Canadian University of Dubai with fondness for the people you met, the friends you made and the experiences you have had. We trust you to be empowered with the skills you need to take on this big, bold and exciting world.

You are the future, go out and live it, be entrepreneurs, leaders, explorers, adventurers; and then... *let us know all about it!*







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