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The rapid progress that the United Arab Emirates (UAE) has witnessed under the leadership of the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan is alone a testament to the strident developments that he committed to realizing in a bid to better the UAE, namely by enriching its culture and economy, whilst ameliorating and expanding the future horizons of its growing population of men and women alike.

The late Sheikh Zayed was not only a prominent public figure and the first president of the UAE, he was the father of the nation, and an enduring inspirational visionary to a generation that still looks up to his accomplishments and continues to be enlightened by his achievements in the UAE and beyond.

The late Sheikh Zayed foresaw that the key to UAE’s transformation and development centered around empowering the leaders of tomorrow with the highest quality education today. This vision has enabled aspiring graduates and young professionals to become key players in an emergent knowledge economy at both the national and international arenas. Put simply, education was the late Sheikh Zayed’s first and foremost concern, and the nation has unanimously committed to ensuring that his Legacy continues.

“The real asset of any advanced nation is its people, and the prosperity and success of the people are measured by the standard of their education”.

Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan,
Founder of the UAE
Zayed University has established itself as the premier national university in the UAE and a regional leader in educational innovation and change. Founded in 1998 and proudly bearing the name of the Founder of the Nation – the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, this flagship institution has met the President’s high expectations. Today, Zayed University has campuses in Dubai and Abu Dhabi that welcome both national and international students.

Zayed University spent its first decade building its core educational programs and aligning them with internationally recognized quality standards. Having crossed the threshold of excellence expected of undergraduate institutions, Zayed University moved to the next level by launching its new Abu Dhabi Campus, a campus that is explicitly aligned with Abu Dhabi’s plans for its future development. Zayed University won the City Scape Dubai 2010 prestigious “Industry Choice Award” among 150 submitted projects for its newly completed landmark campus in Abu Dhabi.

Zayed University is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (USA), which assures internationally recognized programs from a quality-assured university.
VISION

Zayed University shall become the leading university in the region, embodying the same rigorous standards and intellectual elements found in major universities throughout the world.

MISSION

Zayed University seeks to prepare students for meaningful and successful twenty-first century personal and professional lives; to graduate students who will help shape the future of the region and the world; to support the economic and social advancement of the UAE; to lead innovation in higher education through teaching, learning, research, and outreach; and to do so in a culturally diverse, humane, technologically advanced, and increasingly global environment.
Zayed University is one of the UAE and the region’s higher education pillars, and constantly promotes student and organizational innovation by adopting a culture of critical thinking and progressive and meaningful research and analysis.

Zayed University celebrates inspiration by supporting the personal and professional growth of students, faculty and staff and promoting an environment that gives room for new ideas and initiatives.
TRANSPARENCY & INTEGRITY

Zayed University directs students towards identifying the importance of, and then committing to, their personal values. Zayed University’s faculty and staff operate in a responsible and transparent environment that sets a worthy example to students.

LEADERSHIP & TEAMWORK

Zayed University strongly commits to promoting teamwork and developing leadership amongst students, faculty and staff in order to envision, inspire, and direct the youth and future leaders of the nation.
COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE
Zayed University brings together a diverse and highly talented team of faculty and staff to ensure the best quality of education is delivered to its students at all times. It also strives to bring out the best in its students by empowering them to aim high and excel.

GLOBAL AWARENESS
Zayed University ensures its students aren’t only imbued in the essence of their country but are also receptive, cognizant and open to other cultures of the world- under the guidance of Zayed University’s multicultural faculty.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
Zayed University guides its students, faculty and staff towards selfless dedication and positive contribution to their community, their country and the world.
ADMISSION TO ZAYED UNIVERSITY

UAE National Applicants
To be considered for admission, all National applicants must possess a valid UAE passport, valid UAE National Identity Certificate and UAE ID. Applicants from a high school following the U.A.E. curriculum must have 12 years of school and an attested General School Leaving Certificate, a minimum 70% average in academic subjects, a minimum CEPA English score of 150, and a CEPA Mathematics score (no minimum score is currently required).

Applicants from a high school following an International curriculum must have 12 years of school: GCSE/IGCSE must complete five subjects at the ordinary level and two subjects at the GCE Advanced Subsidiary or Advanced level, with a passing grade in each subject. 

International Baccalaureate must successfully complete five subjects.

If you are currently in high school, or have completed high school this year: Submit a completed application form with all documentation attached and Zayed University selected as your primary choice of institution to the National Admissions and Placement Office (NAPO). Applications are submitted online at http://www.napo.ae

International Applicants
Zayed University also welcomes applications from International students. For more details about admission requirements and application forms for International students, please visit: http://www.zu.ac.ae/main/en/enroll/international.aspx

The Academic Bridge Program (ABP): Success at Zayed University requires proficiency in both Arabic and English languages. Students admitted to the University are initially placed either directly into the baccalaureate program or into the Academic Bridge Program. This placement depends primarily upon each student’s proficiency in English as measured by
the Common Educational Proficiency Assessment (CEPA) exam administered by the National Admissions and Placement Office (NAPO) in the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research. Students initially placed into the ABP progress into University College and the baccalaureate program only once they successfully complete the Academic Bridge Program exit requirements and achieve the required level of English proficiency (overall band score of 5.0 or greater) as measured by the International English Language Testing Service (IELTS) exams.

**University College (UC):** University College is responsible for delivering Zayed University’s general education program, organized as the Colloquy on Integrated Learning. The Colloquy Program initiates the baccalaureate careers of all Zayed University students. University College offers the high quality foundational education, the Colloquy on Integrated Learning, to all Zayed University students. It prepares them for their future majors and eventual employment. The experience instills in them a desire for lifelong learning, fosters intellectual curiosity, and engenders critical thinking.

**Zayed University Undergraduate Program Model:**
COLLEGES

COLLEGE OF ARTS & CREATIVE ENTERPRISES

This College aims to prepare students to become creative leaders in the arts and related industries. It aims to provide student artists and designers with an opportunity to explore and develop their own creative ideas while contributing to national initiatives in culture in the UAE. This College is currently pursuing accreditation for its programs with the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (USA).

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

This College offers fully professionalized degrees in all of the major business fields. Its research and outreach centers, devoted to entrepreneurship, economic data analysis, and multi-cultural leadership, will generate knowledge and expertise in support of the UAE’s economic growth and the diversification of its industries. This College is currently pursuing accreditation for its programs with the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (USA).

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

This College provides expertise supporting all aspects of teacher preparation, language and math education, educational leadership, and educational research. It will advance educational reform through professional development in support of the New School Model. This College is currently pursuing accreditation for its programs with the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (USA).
COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA SCIENCES

This College prepares graduates to work in electronic and print media environments, public relations, television, and film. Its research programs concentrate specifically on the impact of media on society. This College is accredited by the International Advertising Association and is currently pursuing accreditation for its programs with the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications (USA).

COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION

This College is committed to the innovative and secure uses of technology in all UAE sectors, including the government, corporate, manufacturing, education, and health environments. It also sustains curricular and research innovation, through its interdisciplinary programs developed with all of the University’s Colleges. This College obtained its accreditation from the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (USA) in the summer of 2012.

COLLEGE OF SUSTAINABILITY SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES

This College seeks to educate graduates who have acquired the knowledge and skills required for successful careers and leadership roles in the rapidly growing fields of sustainability policy and practice. It also seeks to add to the nation’s intellectual assets and promote its sustainable advancement through multidisciplinary research, community engagement and outreach activities.
As part of its mission to support the economic and social advancement of the UAE, Zayed University offers high quality professional master degree programs in business, communications, diplomacy and international affairs, education, health care administration, public administration, information technology, judiciary studies, Islamic studies and more. These programs are designed to offer advanced training for recent graduates as well as mid-career professionals seeking to upgrade their skills and knowledge. Zayed University partners with some of the world’s leading educational institutions today in order to bring new opportunities of advancement to students in the UAE.
Zayed University aims to support the economic and social development of the UAE via a number of research and outreach initiatives by engaging Zayed University students with the community both locally and globally:

**INSTITUTE FOR ISLAMIC WORLD STUDIES**

The Institute for Islamic World Studies was established to become a remarkable landmark of teaching and researching. It uses a new methodology to teach Islamic Studies in higher education, outreaches to the community, and supports research. Through teaching and research, the Institute serves as a bridge between cultures and civilizations in the UAE and the region, and addresses contemporary local, regional and global conditions.
INSTITUTE FOR ARABIC LANGUAGE

The Institute for Arabic Language was established to help modernize and promote the effective use of Arabic language for social, economic, and educational purposes. It uniquely combines pioneering research in applied linguistics and sociolinguistics with applications of this research to advance the teaching and learning of Arabic, particularly as it impacts the literacy of Arabic speakers.

INSTITUTE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN CAPITAL

The Institute for the Development of Human Capital was established to help deliver knowledge-based approaches, solutions and advice aimed at meeting the national human capital development needs and challenges of the UAE. The institute largely focuses on unemployment, underemployment and early retirement in order to provide evidence-based human capital development programs and advice to governments and employers that help increase national employment.
THE ZAYED UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION & COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The Zayed University Foundation and Community Relations reflects the effective partnership between Zayed University and the community and is a cornerstone of the pioneering determination of the UAE and a major pillar which encourages innovation, excellence and investment in Education in order to upgrade and secure the future of coming generations in the UAE and the region.

RESEARCH

Zayed University fosters research, scholarship, and creative activity that address the interests, needs, and concerns of the UAE, the region, and the world. Zayed University faculty are engaged in a diverse range of research projects. Through its innovative undergraduate student research program, Zayed University is nurturing the development of a new cadre of research students.