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Statement from the President

Dear Students,

The Fall Semester has flown by, and we are glad that we closed it on a positive note with great academic achievements.

We are proud to announce that we have acquired the adjoining campus and expanded the existing campus facilities. In essence, it has doubled the size of our original campus. CUCA is planning to invest heavily, in the next three years, to develop various aspects of the College. The focus of this development will be on campus infrastructure, providing improved student facilities, and program and research development. In addition, we are going to invest in the construction of a new



purpose-built campus, which will be ready by 2017, and will have a capacity to accommodate about 7,000 students. The need for the expansion of the current campus, and eventually the development of a new purpose-built campus arose out of our long term objective of continuing to offer more job-centric programs, which are driven by the demands of the job market.

Furthermore, we are soon to obtain University status, which will further our cause to establish CUCA as a University of regional and international repute.

These new developments at CUCA, including the introduction of new programs, the expansion of the current campus and the development of a new purpose-built campus will allow the College to provide high-quality educational opportunities for more students in the region while maintaining a competitive fee structure.

I am delighted to be able to share the good news with you and it also prompts me to take this opportunity to wish you all a successful semester ahead.

Best Regards,

Imran Khan
President

Statement from the Vice Chancellor

Dear Students,

As always, it gives me great pleasure to address you again through your quarterly newspaper *The Caravan*. In this issue, I would like to announce to you with pride that CUCA has recently obtained the initial accreditation from the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MOHESR) for two major programs, namely Master of Law (Public and Private) and MBA with five specializations (Financial Management, Human Resource Management, Islamic Finance, Marketing, and Total Quality Management). These remarkable achievements have been realized



after the very hard work, determination, and dedication of the CUCA faculty and staff over the last twelve months.

One more point that I would like to emphasize is that since we have received the initial accreditation for the aforementioned programs, we

will submit an application to the Ministry very soon, to change CUCA's status from a *university college* to a *university*. For certain, this will be a considerable achievement for CUCA and its students, along with their parents, and the community at large. Moreover, we plan to build a modern university campus within the coming three years with a budget sufficient to accommodate the ever increasing number of students and academic programs.

Finally, we hope that our strategic goals will materialize as planned with your persistent support, along with the continuous hard work and dedication of CUCA's faculty and staff.

Dr. Mohamed Amerah
Vice Chancellor



January 14, 2015 - **H.E. Sheikh Dr. Abdul Aziz Bin Ali Bin Rashid Al Nuaimi**, Secretary General of Al-Ihsan Charity Association, presented commendatory award to CUCA President Mr. Imran Khan, in appreciation of CUCA's contribution to the Ramadan Aman Campaign, at a ceremony presided over by **H.E. Sheikh Nahyan Bin Mubarak Al Nahyan**, Minister of Culture, Youth and Social Development of the UAE.



H.H. Sheikh AbdulAziz bin Humaid Al Nuaimi presents an award to CUCA in appreciation of its partnership with the Land and Property Department of Ajman.

CUCA Earns Initial Accreditation for Master of Law



The evaluators met with the management of the College for an introduction and insight into the operations of CUCA. The Law Faculty under the leadership of Dr. Adel Abu - Hashima presented the proposal for the MLaw program. The CAA evaluators also toured CUCA Campus to view facilities, such

The Master of Law program (with specializations in Public and Private Law) is the first graduate degree program to be launched at CUCA. The College received initial accreditation for this program on January 27th, 2015 from the Ministry Of Higher Education & Scientific Research.

Officials from the Commission for Academic Accreditation (CAA), including Dr. Bader Aboul Ela, Dr. Ahmad Belal, Dr. Mohamad Zahrah and Dr. Ashraf Barqawi, conducted an evaluation visit for the MLaw Program on August 4 & 5, 2014.

as classrooms, the library, and computer labs.

After a thorough evaluation and analysis, the programs received their initial accreditation. Classes for both majors will start in Spring 2015 semester.

CUCA Receives Initial Accreditation for Master of Business Administration Program



CUCA received initial accreditation from the CAA for its MBA program on February 2, 2015. The program offers the following five specializations:

- Financial Management
- Human Resource Management
- Islamic Finance
- Marketing
- Total Quality Management

Classes will begin in Spring 2015 semester.

An External Review Team (ERT) composed of officials from the CAA, MOHESR visited the College in September 2014.

Professor Rolin Sidwell from the CAA in Abu Dhabi, led the ERT, which also included Professor Mostafa Sarhan, Dean of the College of Business at Savannah

State University in Georgia, USA, and Professor Sri Sridharan from the Department of Management at Clemson University in South Carolina, USA.

After presentations by Dr. Amerah, Dr. Hardeep, and Mr. Mark about the College and its programs, the team set off to work. They examined documents and files, interviewed faculty, staff, and students, checked current and future campus facilities, and looked at several of our teaching and learning resources. All of these activities took place during Summer II final exams and registration for the fall semester.

Once the evaluators had finished their tasks, they held an "exit interview" with Mr. Imran, Dr. Amerah, and Mr. Mark. They

summarized their findings and made several suggestions, mainly about academics.

The team members were extremely impressed with all the hospitality, energy, and positive attitude they saw at CUCA. Professor Sarhan had been here during the Initial Accreditation visit in December 2011 and Professor Sidwell was part of the Hospitality and Tourism review team in September 2013. Both were pleased to see all the progress and improvements the College has made in such a short period of time since their last visits.

The accreditation for the MBA program was granted just before the start of Spring 2015 Semester.

CUCA Represented at the 35th Anniversary International Students Exchange Program (ISEP) Conference



The 35th Anniversary Conference of the ISEP was held in Arlington, Virginia, USA from November 12 to 15, 2014. Mr. Nino Decenorio, International Student Coordinator for CUCA represented the College at the conference.

CUCA acquired its **ISEP** membership in the summer of 2014. ISEP, a network of more than 300 universities and colleges across 50 different countries, provides affordable access to international education for students from all over the world. CUCA is one of the only two colleges in the Middle East associated with ISEP.

The four-day Conference included

workshops, seminars and exhibitions pertaining to international students exchange, the opportunities and assistance available to students and what member institutions can avail along with trends in international education and international students mobility trends.

Workshops were conducted for advisors, coordinators, and new ISEP members, focusing on the basics of the programs and the procedures involved. They also explored ways to enhance students' chances for placement abroad and help them make the most of their ISEP experience. A reception was also held at the Cana-

dian Embassy. The year 2014 marks the Embassy's 25th Anniversary on Pennsylvania Avenue, America's Main Street in Washington, D.C. ISEP participants were welcomed by the embassy staff and an exhibition was organized at the Embassy that showcased the history of Canada's diplomatic presence in Washington.

CUCA offers excellent opportunities for students who wish to study abroad through its various international collaborations with universities and institutes across the globe, which are also recommended by the UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.



Flag Day Celebration

CUCA joined the citizens and residents of the UAE in celebrating the Flag Day. The celebration was held in collaboration with the Mwalif Volunteer Team at the CUCA campus on November 6, 2014. Management and employees of CUCA, as well as representatives from Mwalif, attended the occasion. The flag was raised and students from local schools presented an entertaining musical performance.

Mr. Imran Khan, Dr. Mohamed Amerah, and Mr. Dirar Balhour Al Falasi, General Manager of Watani Foundation joined in honoring the Flag Day.

CUCA Acquires Approved Testing Center Status for TOEFL ITP



CUCA has recently acquired the status of an approved Testing Center for TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) ITP (Institutional Testing Program). In a ceremony held on October 12, 2014 at CUCA, the College signed an agreement with America-Mideast Educational and Training Services, Inc. (AMIDEAST), UAE, to serve as an approved testing center.

Representatives of AMIDEAST, UAE met the management of the College to discuss the opportunity of granting CUCA the

status of an approved testing center. The meeting concluded with the signing of a contract between AMIDEAST and CUCA. The latter will serve as a certified center to conduct the TOEFL ITP exam on its campus.

CUCA President Mr. Imran Khan and Ms. Mary Corrado, Country Director, AMIDEAST, signed the contract on behalf of their respective organizations. Also present were Ms. Randa Barghouti, Head of AMIDEAST Testing Services; Dr. Joseph El Helou, Chair of the English Department;

Dr. Hardeep Anant, Department Chair, General Education; and Ms. Salma Seneran, Registrar.

The TOEFL is mandatory for students who intend to pursue a degree program at CUCA, except for the Bachelor of Law program. The approval to operate as a Testing Center will facilitate the process of scheduling and administering the test, as well as generating results faster. Students will experience a hassle-free process of registering for the exam and will be able to sit for the test on the College premises.

AMIDEAST is an American non-profit organization engaged in international education, training, and development activities in the Middle East and North Africa. The test that CUCA administers in collaboration with AMIDEAST is validated by the Education and Testing Service (ETS) Global in the United States. This is required by the UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MOHESR).

CUCA Acquired Approval to Serve as a Computer Based Exam Center for ACCA Examinations

CUCA has recently acquired the license to operate as a Computer Based Exam (CBE) Center for the Association of Chartered Accountants (ACCA) Examinations.

CUCA started running the ACCA program about one year ago. However, to expand further, the College wished to acquire approval to set up

a CBE Center for the program. For this purpose, Mr. Hamid Khan, Examination Center Evaluator and Client Services Executive for ACCA visited the CUCA Campus in August 2014 to evaluate the ACCA program offered at CUCA and, as a result, the final approval for the CBE Center was granted on September 10, 2014.

The first batch of ACCA students sat for their board exams through the CBE Center at CUCA, this year and the College achieved an outstanding pass rate of 90%, which is a reflection of the excellent academic standards of the ACCA program conducted at CUCA.

Collaboration with R Hotels for Hospitality and Tourism Management Program



CUCA has recently signed a collaboration agreement with R Hotels for its Hotel Management and Tourism (HTM) program.

The agreement, signed by Mr. Imran Khan, President of CUCA, and Mr. Sumair Tariq, Managing Director of R Hotels, during an official ceremony held at the CUCA campus, seeks to provide better training and employment opportunities for the HTM Program students at CUCA.

R Hotels agreed to provide the HTM program students with valuable experience in the field through internships and on-site trainings at the hotel properties owned and managed by R Hotels to enhance their employability, and expose them to international standards in the industry. The collaboration between the two parties will result in

producing better trained industry professionals who can be recruited into the sector.

Commenting on the collaboration between CUCA and R Hotels Mr. Imran said, "Collaborating with R Hotels would further strengthen our HTM program by ensuring that our students gain practical industry experience at state-of-the-art facilities, owned and managed by R Hotels. The students would get internship opportunities and interact with industry experts. This would greatly enhance their chances of employability in this sector."

Mr. Tariq commented, "R Hotels focuses on human capital as it is the core asset in the hospitality sector. Our hotels are heavily invested in staff training and development and our partner-

ship with CUCA will further our initiatives in tapping the talents of future hospitality and tourism professionals."

CUCA introduced the HTM program, keeping in mind the growing job market in the hospitality and tourism industry in the UAE, especially in the wake of the Expo 2020.

R Hotels is a member of the R-Holding Group, which currently owns and manages four hotels across the UAE, namely Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham, Ramada Downtown Dubai, Ramada Hotel and Suites Ajman, and Ramada Beach Hotel in Ajman. Another 4-star property is being added to the portfolio in the summer of 2015, and another prestigious 5-Star hotel on Palm Jumeirah in 2016.

Fall Orientation 2014



CUCA welcomed its students for the Fall Semester on October 1, 2014. Student Orientation was held in the campus gymnasium where Dr. Mohammed Amerah, College Vice Chancellor, welcomed the students and

introduced the faculty. Ms. Salma Seneran, Registrar and Ms. Amal Al Jibouri, Student Affairs Manager also spoke to the students. They welcomed them to the new semester and briefed them on the rules, regula-

tions, and general college setting. Finally, a representative from the Mwalif Emirati Volunteer Team delivered a speech to the students discussing the history of the organization and its social role in the UAE.

Meeting with Ajman Civil Defense



A delegation from the General Directorate of Ajman Civil Defense, led by Brigadier Saleh Saeed Al Matrooshi, Director-General of Ajman Civil Defense, visited CUCA on October 27, 2014. The delegation met with Mr. Imran Khan, College President and Dr. Mohamed Amerah, Vice Chancellor to discuss possible

initiatives of mutual interest. Both organizations agreed to enhance mutual cooperation and collaboration for projects, which will result in positive outcomes for both. CUCA can provide assistance in human resource development and training by initiating programs and courses pertaining to the interest of

the Civil Defense Department, while the Civil Defense Authority may provide assistance in providing infrastructure facilities to the College.

The meeting was the first step towards an extended partnership between the two organizations.

Qualifications Framework - Emirates Workshop



A training course was conducted for faculty members of CUCA on November 20, 2014, about the Qualifications Framework - Emirates (QFE). The training course was conducted in two different sessions for the English and Arabic speaking faculty members. Dr. Ayman Bassam and Dr.

Tareq Genedy conducted the course for the BBA faculty while Dr. Masood Younes Ata and Ms. Wafaa Abedi trained the faculty members of the Law, Human Resource (Arabic) and Public Relations and Advertising Departments. The QFE serves as the national point

of reference to define academic qualifications according to student achievement of learning outcomes. The training course was a part of CUCA's alignment of learning outcomes of its academic programs with the QFE, in accordance with the requirements of the MOHESR.

Annual Employee Luncheon



CUCA held its Annual Employee Luncheon on November 12, 2014. The event was held in the Majestic Ballroom at the Ramada Hotel, Ajman, to honor the continuous hard work and dedication of the faculty and staff to boost the College forward.

On the occasion, College President Mr. Imran Khan and Vice Chancellor Dr. Mohamed



Amerah acknowledged the efforts of the employees, recalling the early days of the College and attributing its success and rapid development to the efforts and dedication of the management and employees.

43rd UAE National Day Celebration at CUCA



A colorful celebration took place on Sunday, November 30th, 2014 at the CUCA campus in honor of the 43rd UAE National Day, which marks the unification of the seven emirates and the founding of the nation on December 2, 1971 under its first president, H.H. Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan.

The event was organized by the Student Affairs Department, under the supervision of Ms. Amal Al-Jiboury, and was greatly appreci-

ated by everyone who attended. Mr. Imran Khan and Dr. Mohamed Amerah formally opened the celebration. Mr. Imran and Dr. Amerah, along with staff and faculty members visited the pavilions and attended an entertaining show presented by the students.

A large number of students participated in the event, which depicted the essence of the UAE through a mix of stage plays, music, and dance shows. The visitors enjoyed

the stalls set up by the students, housing traditional food, jewelry, art, henna, and face painting.

A digital photography exhibition organized by the PR and Advertising Department at CUCA was also conducted during the celebrations depicting the extraordinary photographic talent of CUCA students. The management complimented the PR and Advertising Department and the students on their efforts and their brilliant work.

AUST Law Students Visit CUCA



A group of students from the Law Department of the Ajman University of Science and Technology (AUST) visited CUCA, on Wednesday, December 17, 2014. The students were received by the Vice Chancellor, Dr. Mohamed Amerah, Dr. Adel Abu Hashima, Chair of the Law Department and Ms. Amal Al-Jiboury, Student Affairs Manager.

The visit was part of the activities of the AUST team's contribution to an awareness cam-

paign held by Dubai Customs. The campaign aims to create awareness of Intellectual Property Rights and their protection. The members of the visiting team distributed leaflets depicting the concept of Intellectual Property Rights and explained the importance of safeguarding these rights.

The team also conducted a survey to gauge the understanding and awareness of CUCA students about Intellectual Property.

Visit by the Cultural Attaché from the Sultanate of Oman



Mr. Abdullah Bin Salem AlAlawi, Cultural Attaché for the Embassy of the Sultanate of Oman in UAE, visited CUCA on Sunday, September 21, 2014.

Mr. Al Alawi was greeted by Mr. Imran Khan, President, and Dr. Muhammad Amerah, Vice Chancellor, Dr. Khalid Al Derbashi, Department Chair for the Professional Diploma in Teaching Program, and Dr. Ahmad Ezzat, Assistant Professor, Professional Diploma in Teaching Program, along with other members from the management of the College.

Mr. Al Alawi received a briefing about the academic services provided to students at CUCA. The possibility of signing a Memorandum of Understanding, for mutual collaboration between the Embassy of the Sultanate of Oman and CUCA, was also discussed during the visit.



Breast Cancer Awareness

CUCA hosted a lecture on "Breast Cancer Awareness" in recognition of the Breast Cancer Awareness Month, on Wednesday, October 29, 2014.

The lecture was organized by the Students Affairs Department in collaboration with the Ajman Municipality. Dr. Hanan Helmy

Ghatas, a Gynecologist at the Ibn-Sina Medical Center, delivered the lecture which was attended by a large number of female students and college staff. Dr. Ghatas stressed the importance of preemptive measures and regular screening for early detection, as well as the adoption of a healthful lifestyle.

Early detection is critical to the treatment of breast cancer, which is the most common type of cancer among women.

As part of the campaign to raise awareness about breast cancer, clinical examination for employees and students took place after the lecture.



Gala for Senior Citizens

As part of its on-going community service efforts, CUCA was the official sponsor for a volunteer gala for area senior citizens on Wednesday, October 1, 2014 at the Ajman Saray Hotel in the presence of H.E. Maryam Al Roumi, Minister of Social Affairs. Ms. Amal Al Jiboury, Student Affairs Manager, along with several CUCA students, presented bouquets to all the senior citizens who attended the event.

EDU-Amman 2014

CUCA participated in the EDU-Amman 2014, an international exhibition for universities, institutes and educational equipment, held from September 3 to 5, at the Dome Hall of City Mall in Amman, Jordan.

CUCA attended the exhibition, along with other universities from the UAE, under the umbrella of the Ajman Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The participating delegation discussed means for cooperation with the Amman Chamber to enhance and develop common relations between the UAE and Jordan.

Mr. Naser Al Dhafri, Executive Director for Planning and Member Support, headed the Ajman delegation which consisted of Mr. Mohammed Al Muhairi, Head of Member Support and Mr. Hamad Al Saidi, Secretary to the Director General, along with representatives of the participating universities in the Emirate, namely, Ajman University of Science and Technology, Gulf Medical University, City University College of Ajman, and the University College for Mother and Family Science.

The two sides discussed opportunities for joint projects between the universities in Jordan and their counterparts in Ajman. Mr. Mohammed Al Muhairi said that participation of the private universities in the UAE, headed by the Ajman Chamber, will contribute to creating a proper platform for them to study the markets directly. It will allow them to contact students and get acquainted with the majors and specializations that they prefer, in addition to opening direct communication channels with the participating universities.

11th International Education Show at Sharjah Expo



CUCA participated in the 11th Sharjah International Education Show held at the Sharjah Expo Center from February 11 to 15, 2015. The exhibition witnessed a large number of enthusiastic high school students visiting the stands set up by the participating institutes. Students showed remarkable interest in CUCA and in the programs that it offers.

An Interview with Dr. Joseph Helou English Department Chair at CUCA



Q: How did the idea of writing a 109-page story without using the letter 'e' come to your mind?

A: Well, the idea was the birth of a challenge that took place at a university in Lebanon when a few professors of English and I were having coffee in the faculty lounge. One professor said that the letter 'e' is the most used vowel in English, and the definite article 'the' is the most used word in spoken and written English; therefore, it is impossible to write a fully-fledged story without using the letter 'e'. At that point I felt I was challenged at my own game, and so I said, "I will do it." They all chuckled since they took my claim as a joke, but I took it seriously, and that was the spark of my start. I wrote the first 11 pages of my story and then asked a couple of teachers of English to read those pages. They did, and they asked me to continue since the story seemed interesting. I asked them if they'd noticed anything unusual in the writing style; they said it was smooth sailing. When I told them that what they had read

contained no letter 'e', they were astonished and decided to fumble through the words in search of an 'e', but of course, they found none. Their evaluation encouraged me to go on with my writing.

Q: How long did it take you to write Jack and Mary?

A: At the time I started writing Jack and Mary I used to teach at two universities, besides training teachers of English in several areas in Lebanon. Therefore, I had little time to dedicate to writing. For example, I used to write ten pages on a given day, and then resume writing after three or four days. I can say that Jack and Mary took around one year and a half; roughly speaking.

Q: What difficulty did you face while writing Jack and Mary?

A: Actually, not only one difficulty, but a legion of difficulties; it is similar to playing a musical piece on a one-string guitar. I was deprived of the most necessary and most used letter 'e'. This art is called lipogrammatic writing, which means: writing and deliberately omitting one letter.

Q: Where is Jack and Mary available?

A: At present, it is sold mainly in the several bookshops in Lebanon, and in some bookshops in Dubai. Jack and Mary has been assigned as a reading book in

eight schools in Lebanon. It was also assigned for a challenge writing class at a school in Dubai.

Q: When was Jack and Mary published?

A: The first edition was published in 2004, and when it sold out, I published the second edition on Sept. 6, 2007.

Q: I've noticed there are asterisks that look like small stars over some words and expressions; why are they there?

A: You see, Jack and Mary is not merely a story written to challenge the English language itself – and my colleagues at the university; it is intended to introduce two main factors to the teachers and to the readers. First, the asterisks have been suggested over words that students need to look up in their dictionaries and learn by heart. Secondly, Jack and Mary embeds moral lessons that encourage the readers to forsake indecent deeds and resort to right ones.

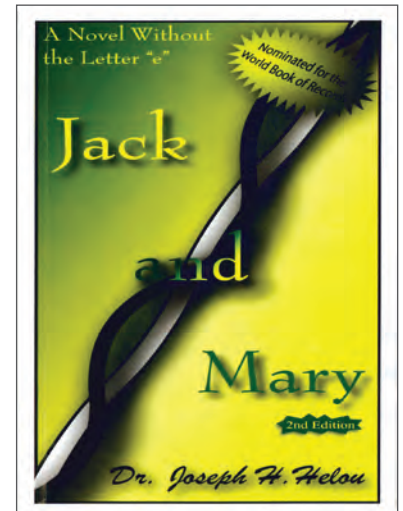
Q: What is the future of Jack and Mary?

A: Well, the most exciting phase is that Jack and Mary has been nominated for the Guinness Book of World Records, which is the highest recognition of an exquisite, unprecedented achievement. Besides, Jack and Mary will have brothers and sisters soon, God willing. My

ultimate plan is to write four more stories; one without the letter 'A'; one without the letter 'I'; one without the letter 'O', and one without the letter 'U'. They will all be combined in one volume of five stories without any of the five vowels of the English language. I intend to launch Jack and Mary in Ajman, and now I am looking for a sponsor.

Q: Is it easy to write the other four volumes?

A: Not at all, it's nearly impossible, and THAT is why I plan to go for it, especially after conquering the vowel 'e'; the 'lion' of the five vowels.



Professional Diploma in Teaching

Stemming from CUCA's philosophy to be one of the pillars of higher education in the UAE and its responsibility in developing the community, CUCA obtained the initial accreditation for its Professional Diploma in Teaching (PDT) from the CAA in March 2014. Believing that community development starts from school, the program aims at preparing highly qualified individuals in educational practices that are able to employ modern technologies in classroom teaching. This will have a positive impact on the educational process in the UAE and the region by keeping up with new developments in curriculum design and teaching methods, where professional development of teachers is a corner-

stone in building communities.

The importance of the PDT comes from combining theory and practice. This diploma provides students with a complete program, consisting of 24 credit hours, divided into 21 compulsory credit hours, six of which are practical hours, with three optional hours. These hours form the eight courses to be covered in two semesters.

A graduate of this program can find a job in schools, both public and private, since a diploma is required for teaching in the UAE and many countries in the region. This diploma qualifies graduates to work as teachers of Islamic Studies, Arabic, English, Social Studies, Science,

Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Geology, Information Technology, and Special Needs Education.

CUCA provides flexible hours that do not interfere with the work schedule of students who already have teaching jobs. Classes are scheduled during mornings, evenings and week-ends. Credit hours for this program are counted towards a master's degree, especially since CUCA plans to offer a Master of Education program in the future.



Dr. Khalid Younis Al Derbashi
Department Chair,
Professional Diploma in Teaching,
City University College of Ajman

Desert Safari Trip



The CUCA Student Affairs Department, once again deserves accolades for arranging a wonderful Desert Safari for the students.

About 250 students, faculty and staff members enjoyed the Safari on Friday, December 19, 2014.

Karaoke



The first Karaoke musical event of the College was organized by the Students Affairs Department. The event took place on Wednesday August 27, 2014. More than 200 students from different nationalities participated. It included several students singing the songs of their choice. The best three voices were chosen after listening to all the participants' voices. The three top students are from ACCA, First Place: Hind Ritualo, Second Place: Sharina Manaog, Third Place: Ayah Basel. In addition, the student Esra Shaalan won a laptop in a raffle draw.

First Match for CUCA Footballers



The CUCA football team played its first match against the Sharjah Police Academy on Tuesday, November 18, 2014. The team showed a lot of promise and potential. The game ended in a 3-3 draw.

More Football Match Results



CUCA football team beat Abu Dhabi Civil Defense team on Thursday, October 16, 2014, by scoring 3-2, after an exciting match which the spectators thoroughly enjoyed. Mr. Imran Khan, CUCA president, Ms. Amal Al-Jiboury, Student Affairs Manager and other members of the staff, faculty, and student body came to watch and appreciate the wonderful performance of our team to whom we wish constant victory.

An Amicable Basketball Game against American College in Dubai



The CUCA Basketball Team played against the American College in Dubai, on November 12, 2014, at the CUCA gym. CUCA beat American College in Dubai on a score of 66 - 48

An Amicable Volleyball Game

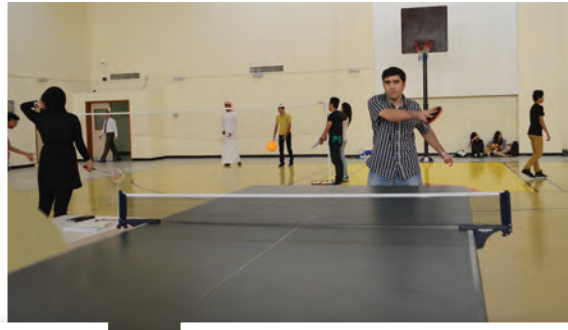


The students' team won 3-2 against the faculty and staff team. The match was thoroughly enjoyed by all who participated.

A volleyball match between the students and staff members was organized by the Student Affairs Department to break the monotony of studies and daily workload. The match was held on December 11, 2014. A number of students, faculty and staff members participated in the game.



CUCA Table Tennis and Badminton Tournaments



The CUCA Students Affairs Department organized table tennis and badminton tournaments for students. The tournaments consisted of men's and women's singles "knock out" matches. The matches took place from October 12 to 16, 2014. The winners were:

- Table Tennis Women's Singles: Ms. Nikkita Danica
- Table Tennis Men's Singles: Mr. Saeed Mohamed Ibrahim (First Place) and Mr. Osama Yousef Ahmad (2nd place)
- Badminton Women's Singles: Ms. Nikkita Danica (First Place) and Luwam Tsegai Hagos (Second Place)
- Badminton Men's Singles: Mr. Mohammad Haseeb Azhar (First Place) and Mr. Hamza Khan (Second Place.)

Mr. Mark Langer, CUCA Program Director, presented the medals and trophies to the winners.

Pak - UAE Solidarity Walk



CUCA participated in the Pakistan – UAE solidarity walk, organized by the Pakistan Association in Dubai, in honor of the 43rd UAE National Day. The walk took place on Friday, November 28th, starting at the Pakistan Education Academy and ending at the premises of the Pakistan Association, Dubai.



A large number of participants from all walks of life attended the event. Participants, including a large number of women and students from various institutes enjoyed a colorful parade with jubilant music, dance, and colorful flags and balloons.

CUCA was represented by students and staff from various nationalities including Pakistan, India, Syria, and Palestine, among others.

Global Village Trip



The CUCA Student Affairs Department organized a visit to the Global Village in Dubai for our students, on December 12, 2014. The trip was very exciting, and students visited various pavillions and learned about different cultures.

Sharjah International Book Fair Trip

CUCA students visited the Sharjah International Book Fair - 2014 on Tuesday, November 11.

The visit was organized by the Students Affairs Department.

The Sharjah International Book Fair is a ten-day event held every year under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Dr. Sultan Bin Mohamed AlQasimi, Member of the UAE Supreme Council and Ruler of Sharjah. Since its inception in 1982, the Sharjah International Book Fair has become the 4th largest book fair in the world.

CUCA students found the trip extremely beneficial and refreshing. Students explored the exhibition with great zeal and expressed their appreciation for the organizers who provided them with a rich and valuable experience.



CUCA Participates in the Higher Education Sports Federation

CUCA participated in the Higher Education Sports Federation on Monday September 22, 2014. CUCA believes in the importance of participating in activities that enhance students both physically and mentally. This participation gives the College football team the opportunity to compete with other universities and colleges in the area.