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Continuation of Israeli violations against Palestine and higher education institutions

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Ministry of Education & Higher Education

Israeli Occupation Violations Against Education in Palestine

7 October 2023 - 22 April 2025

Students	West Bank			Gaza Strip		
	Martyrs	Injured	Arrested	Martyrs	Injured	Arrested
Schools	98	637	351	13519+	21713+	-
Universities	35	186+	362+	972+	2039+	Unknown

Educational staff	West Bank			Gaza Strip		
	Martyrs	Injured	Arrested	Martyrs	Injured	Arrested
Schools	4	21	176+	651	2803	Unknown
Universities	-	Unknown	14	207	1391+	Unknown

Attacks on Schools & Universities

West Bank

Schools

- (141) schools have been attacked and damaged.
- Destruction of school fences at several schools in Tubas.

Universities

- (7) Universities and colleges experienced repeated incursions, damage and tampering with possessions.

Gaza Strip

Schools

- (241) public schools have been severely damaged, and more than (111) public schools have been completely destroyed.
- (91) public schools have been attacked and damaged.
- (89) UNRWA schools have been attacked and damaged.

Universities

- (20) higher education institutions have been severely damaged.
- More than (57) university buildings have been completely destroyed.

In the Directorates of Education of Tulkarm and Jenin

- In Tulkarm, (6) schools continue to function virtually.
- Thousands of students and hundreds of teachers have been displace.

Top News

Palestine Ahliya University Participates in Association of Arab Universities Conference in Kuwait

Kuwait – Palestine Ahliya University, represented by its President Dr. Imad Al-Zeer and President Assistant for International and public Relations Affairs Mr. Jiries Abu Ghannam, is taking part in the 57th General Conference of the Association of Arab Universities. The conference is being held at the International University in Kuwait from April 23 to 26, 2025, under the theme “Enhancing Regional Integration and Digital Transformation in Arab Higher Education,” with the participation of around 250 Arab universities.



During his chairing of the panel discussion, Dr. Imad Al-Zeer, alongside Prof. Amr Ezzat Salama, Secretary-General of the Association of Arab Universities, and Prof. Amjad Barham, Minister of Education and Higher Education in Palestine, spoke about “Supporting Palestinian Universities.

During his intervention, Dr. Imad Al-Zeer outlined the initiative to launch the Arab Fund for the Support and Relief of Higher Education Institutions in Palestine, noting that the proposal was in response to the extensive damage inflicted on Palestinian higher education institutions as a result of the Israeli aggression on Gaza and the West Bank.

He added, “The fund was established by a decision of the Executive Council of the Association of Arab Universities, in partnership with the Palestinian Ministry of Higher Education, and its launch was unanimously approved during the General Assembly meeting of the conference.”

Dr. Al-Zeer also stated that the fund aims to contribute to enhancing and ensuring the continuity of high-

er education institutions, supporting the reactivation of higher education institutions in Gaza that were destroyed as a result of the Israeli aggression, empowering Palestinian students, covering the operational expenses of universities, rebuilding infrastructure, and strengthening governance. He expected that the fund would help finance tuition fees for 50,000 students, reactivate affected universities, establish laboratories and educational facilities, strengthen the resilience of students in Jerusalem and Gaza, and launch a database to monitor damages and needs.



Dr. Al-Zeer concluded his speech by emphasizing the importance of the conference as a platform for academic dialogue and collaboration among participating educational institutions. He noted that it provides an opportunity to exchange scientific expertise and discuss pressing issues facing Palestinian and Arab educational institutions, especially in light of technological transformations, innovation, digital transformation, and the expansion of artificial intelligence and e-learning programs.



The General Conference of the Association of Arab Universities focuses on a set of key themes that reflect the strategic directions for higher education in the Arab world. These include developing the higher education system in the Arab world to align with global educational and technological advancements, enhancing scientific and research partnerships among Arab universities to build sustainable and fruitful coop-

eration networks, preparing graduates for the job market by equipping them with the skills required for the modern economy, encouraging innovation and digital transformation in various components of the educational process, supporting Palestinian universities and intensifying collaboration with them at both the academic and administrative levels, addressing issues related to the ranking of Arab universities, and strengthening their presence in global rankings by adopting quality standards and academic accreditation.

The conference also focuses on showcasing regional initiatives in higher education, such as the “Arab Knowledge Bank” and digital platforms, as supportive tools for open and sustainable learning.

The conference aims to achieve a number of strategic goals, most notably enhancing regional integration and academic cooperation among Arab universities and educational institutions, discussing the future of higher education in the region in light of rapid digital transformation and the challenges of artificial



intelligence, exchanging expertise and best practices in the fields of education, scientific research, and effective university governance, addressing the shared challenges facing Arab higher education, seeking collective and effective solutions, strengthening the institutional role of the Association of Arab Universities, and advancing the developmental initiatives it leads at both the regional and international levels.

Palestine Ahliya University Named to Executive Council of Arab Universities Association



During the 57th General Conference of the Association of Arab Universities, held at the International University in Kuwait from April 23–26, 2025, with the participation of approximately 250 Arab universities under the theme “Enhancing Regional Integration and Digital Transformation in Arab Higher Education,” Palestine Ahliya University, represented by its President Dr. Imad Al-Zeer, was elected to the Executive Council of the Association for the 57th and 58th terms, representing Palestinian universities.

The Executive Council’s tasks, which align with the mission of the Association of Arab Universities, include supporting and coordinating the efforts of Arab universities to prepare individuals capable of serving the Arab nation, preserving its cultural and civilizational unity, and developing its human resources to meet its aspirations. Additionally, the council encourages the establishment of research centers, supports the conduct of joint scientific research, promotes the exchange of research results, and focuses on applied research while linking its topics to Arab economic and social development plans. It also contributes to strengthening cooperation between Arab universities, coordinating efforts among them, and with regional and international universities and institutions, especially in line with contemporary developments, educational technologies, and modern educational methods. Furthermore, the council supports the development of the performance and independence of Arab universities, emphasizes academic and research freedom for their faculty members, protects their rights, and strengthens cooperation among them. The council also encourages excellence and innovation, fosters joint student activities between Arab universities, and collaborates to regulate the quality of higher education, ensure its standards, and work toward mutual recognition of degrees issued by Arab universities.

In this context, Dr. Dawood Al-Zeer, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Palestine Ahliya University, welcomed this step, considering it a result of the pioneering role the university plays at the local, Arab, and international levels. He wished success and steadfastness in fulfilling this new responsibility, aimed at strengthening cooperation and advancing the academic endeavor across the Arab world.

Palestine Ahliya University Takes Part in QS Higher Education Summit – Middle East in Kuwait

Dr. Imad Al-Zeer, President of Palestine Ahliya University, took part in the QS Higher Education Summit: Middle East 2025, held at Gulf University for Science and Technology (GUST) in Kuwait from April 20 to 22, 2025. The summit brought together leaders, university presidents, and academics from around the world to discuss the theme: “Society 5.0: Higher Education and Skills for a Human-Centered Future.” The summit addressed the latest trends in university rankings strategies for enhancing academic and research performance, and approaches to achieving quality standards and institutional excellence.







International and Local Cooperation

Palestine Ahliya University and the General Directorate of Police explore avenues for mutual cooperation and sign a cooperation agreement.





The Dean of the Faculty of Law meets with His Excellency the Attorney General of the State of Palestine, Counselor Akram Al-Khatib, in the presence of the Head of the Juvenile Prosecution, His Excellency Mr. Thaer Khalil, along with a number of deans of law faculties from Palestinian universities, as well as a distinguished group of students from the faculty who previously participated in training programs within the framework of ongoing cooperation between the universities and the Public Prosecution.



Palestine Ahliya University participated in the activities of the 30th Student Exchange Forum in Tripoli, represented by the Head of the Graduates and Training Unit, Mr. Wajde ALjafari. This participation aimed to broaden the horizons of cooperation between the university and its counterparts in Arab countries, particularly in the area of practical student training.





Activities and Events

Under the patronage of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Palestine Ahliya University, His Excellency Dr. Dawood Al-Zeer, the Faculty of Humanistic and Educational Sciences in cooperation with the Palestinian Arabic Language Lovers Club, organized a graduation ceremony for the participants of the Proficiency Course in Arabic Language Sciences. The event was attended by the Dean of the Faculty of Humanistic and Educational Sciences, Dr-Mahmoud Itmeizeh; the Dean of the Faculty of Allied Medical Sciences, Dr. Ahmed Al-Batran; the President of the Palestinian Arabic Language Lovers Club, Dr. Abbas Mujahed; as well as a large number of club members and participants, course graduates, academic staff, and university students.





The Faculty of Administrative and Financial Sciences, in cooperation with the Graduates and Training Unit, organized the second edition of "Entrepreneurship and Initiatives Day," under the patronage and in the presence of the University President, Dr. Imad Al-Zeer, along with his deputies and assistants, members of the administrative and academic staff, and university students, with contribution from the Palestinian Telecommunications Company, "Jawwal-Paltel."
















Palestine Ahliya University participated in the orientation days for high school students in Hebron, held on the campus of Hebron University, as well as on the campus of Al-Istiqlal University in Jericho, and in Birzeit on the campus of Birzeit University. The participation was organized under the supervision of the University's Department of International and Public Relations.





Al-Istiqlal University in Jericho









Hebron University in Hebron













Birzeit University in Birzeit













The Graphic Design and Visual Effects program in the Faculty of Applied Professions and Sciences inaugurated its second exhibition, titled "End of September," in the presence of the University President, Dr. Imad Al-Zeer, members of the administrative and academic staff, and university students.

























The Faculty of Engineering and Information Technology launched the student branch of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE).












The Faculty of Law organizes a series of academic seminars:

A legal seminar on

“Consumer Protection in Electronic Contracting,”

delivered by Dr. Abdullah Theeb (Al-Safarini) Associate Professor of Law and expert in electronic transactions.





A legal seminar on

“Artificial Intelligence and Digital Lawyering: How Is Technology Transforming the Legal Profession?”

presented by Attorney Tamer Qamheiya a specialist in law and technology.

A scholarly seminar titled

“The Legal Structure of the Marriage Contract: Between Formal Procedure and Substantive Obligation,”

featuring several academics and legal specialists, presented by Mr. Ahmad Ishebat, the marriage officiant and Sharia arbitrator.



The Faculty of Law and the Deanship of Student Affairs organized a legal seminar on

"The Role of the Anti-Corruption Commission in Strengthening the Principles of Integrity and Transparency."

The seminar hosted Dr. Eyad Al-Sharbati, Director of the Compliance Department at the Anti-Corruption Commission, and Mr. Jamal Al-Sharif, Director of the Integrity Department at the Commission. The seminar was moderated by Dr. Ihab Khalaileh.





The Faculty of Law participated in the specialized research workshop on juvenile justice, with the participation of the Dean of the Faculty, Dr. Mohammad Sa'abneh, and faculty member Dr. Mohammad Kmail, in the presence of a select group of academics from Palestinian law faculties, alongside representatives from the Supreme Judicial Council, the Public Prosecution, the Palestinian Police, and the Ministry of Social Development.

The Department of Administrative Sciences in the Faculty of Applied Professions and Sciences organized an awareness lecture titled

"Combating Corruption: Administrative Corruption Between Reality and Law,"

presented by Mrs. Rasha Amarneh, the legal advisor to His Excellency the President of the Anti-Corruption Commission. The lecture highlighted the challenges faced by the commission in combating corruption, as well as the opportunities and mechanisms available to address this issue.



The Faculty of Humanities and Educational Sciences, organized a literary seminar titled

"A Reading of the Novel Forty Days on the Sidewalk"

by the author Mr. Saleh Abu Laban.





The Faculty of Humanities and Educational Sciences, in cooperation with the Social Workers Association, organized:

"Professional Ethics in Social Work"

an awareness session for students as part of the faculty's efforts to strengthen ties between the university and local community institutions. The session was delivered by Mr. Ayed Houshia, representing the Social Workers Association, and Mrs. Rula Shwicky, representing the Humanities Department at the faculty.

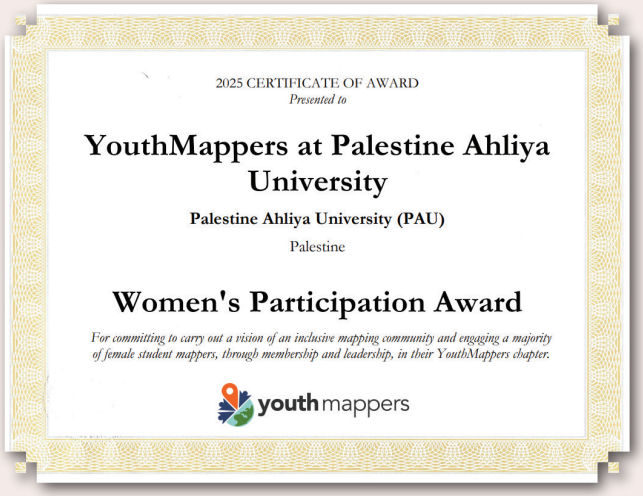
The Alumni and Training Unit, in collaboration with the Al-Manar Center for Culture and Creativity and the Coalition for Integrity and Accountability "AMAN," organized an awareness lecture titled

"Integrity and Corruption in Palestine Implications for the Job Market,"

presented by Ms. Mariam Abu Laban.



Palestine Ahliya University received the **Women's Participation Award** in recognition of the efforts of the YouthMappers club, which was established as part of the Positive Youth Participation Program implemented by the Community Development & Continuing Education Institute (CDCE-I). These efforts were reflected in creating an inclusive environment that enables female students to engage and excel in digital mapping activities, with females forming the majority in the club's membership and leadership. Additionally, the YouthMappers Network honored Mrs. Rihabb Al-Salameen, the club supervisor and a faculty member at Palestine Ahliya University, by granting her "James Kweku Eshun Mentoring Award". This was in recognition of her exceptional commitment to supporting the YouthMappers club at the university, promoting diverse learning opportunities, and going beyond her traditional role in mentorship and guidance.


2025 CERTIFICATE OF AWARD
Presented to

YouthMappers at Palestine Ahliya University

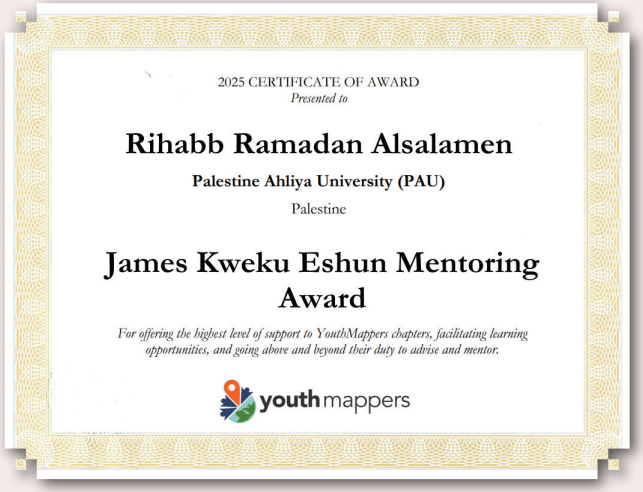
Palestine Ahliya University (PAU)

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Women's Participation Award

For committing to carry out a vision of an inclusive mapping community and engaging a majority of female student mappers, through membership and leadership, in their YouthMappers chapter.

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2025 CERTIFICATE OF AWARD
Presented to

Rihabb Ramadan Alsalamen

Palestine Ahliya University (PAU)

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James Kweku Eshun Mentoring Award

For offering the highest level of support to YouthMappers chapters, facilitating learning opportunities, and going above and beyond their duty to advise and mentor.

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Palestine Ahliya University hosted Idna Educational Center to introduce them to the university's academic programs and specializations.













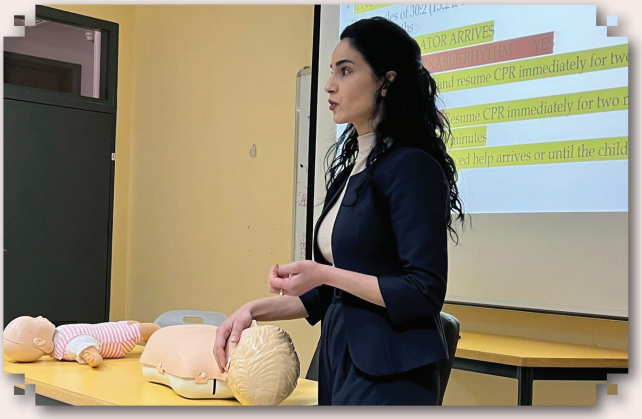
The Deanship of Student Affairs and the Faculty of Humanities and Educational Sciences in cooperation with the Women's Psychological and Social Counseling Center, are conducting a training course entitled

"The Rights of Women and Girls under Palestinian Law and Islamic Sharia," targeting students majoring in Islamic Studies at Palestine Ahliya University.





Students of the Faculty of Allied Medical Sciences, attended an intensive training lecture titled "Introduction to Advanced Pediatric Life Support" at Caritas Hospital, which aimed to enhance knowledge and skills in managing pediatric emergencies. The lecture was delivered by Mrs. Wafaa Ghanem, Head of the Quality and Excellence Department.





Students of the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technology, are participating in the Hebron University Design Challenge, under the supervision of Mr. Abdul Rahman Al-Khatib. The competition brought together 20 teams from various Palestinian universities offering graphic design programs.







The Deanship of Student Affairs, in cooperation with the Ministry of Education and Higher Education and funded by the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation, is organizing a central training workshop at Bethlehem Hotel entitled

"Economic Empowerment and Its Impact on Gender,"

targeting university students in the southern West Bank.













The Deanship of Student Affairs honored the students who won in the university-level cultural competitions. A group of students participated in the

Holy Qur'an Memorization Competition and the Best Ramadan Decoration Photo Contest.

In the Qur'an Memorization Competition, student Ward Al-Barmeel won first place
Mohammad Al-Sheikh came in second, and Qasem Abdel Jameel took third place.
In the Best Ramadan Decoration Photo Contest, student Saba Shaheen won first place.







Palestine Ahliya University, represented by the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technology, has won the award for Best Project Idea in the field of Artificial Intelligence during its virtual participation in the "AI Days" event organized by the University of May 8, 1945 in Guelma, Republic of Algeria. This achievement came through an innovative project presented by a student team consisting of: Abdul Rahman Abu Ghanam, Arwa Al-Zeer, and Bara'a Abu Murar, under the supervision of Mr. Sameh Taqatqa and Mrs. Pearl Handal. The project was titled:

"Clustering-Based Model for Grouping Pediatric Patients with Diabetes and Cystic Fibrosis to Support Nutritional Planning."







Students of the Faculty of Allied Medical Sciences, participated in an awareness-raising and educational activity for children at the SOS Children's Village, and visited the Palestinian National Rehabilitation Center in Bethlehem.









The Deanship of Student Affairs, the Faculty of Allied Medical Sciences, and the Youth Friendly Health Center, are organizing a scientific seminar titled "Anemia" in collaboration with the Palestinian Medical Relief Society.









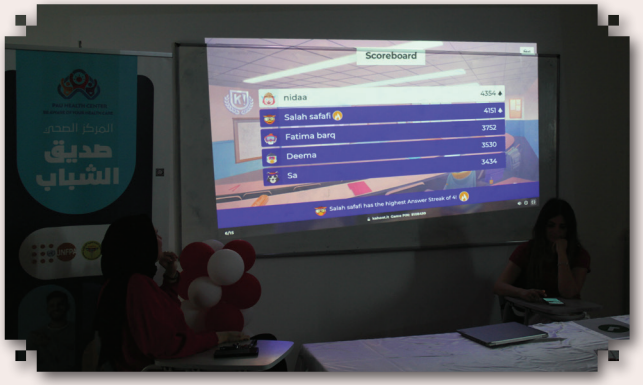











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Fatima barq 3752
Deema 3530
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Salah safafi has the Highest Answer Streak of 4!
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Scientific Research Corner



Palestine Ahliya University is pleased to announce the release of the first issue of Volume 4 (2025) of

"Palestine Ahliya University Journal for Research and Studies"

published by the Department of Scientific Research. This peer-reviewed, open-access scientific journal serves as a trusted reference for researchers and specialists. It provides an opportunity for publishing peer-reviewed research in a variety of fields, including: engineering, computer science and technology, humanities and social sciences, business and economics, social sciences, medicine and healthcare, natural sciences, agricultural and food sciences, and nutrition, as well as interdisciplinary studies.

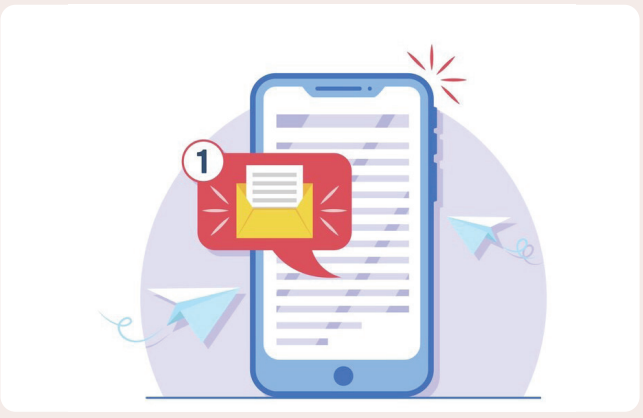
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Dr. Musa Ajouz contributes to the publication of a new study titled

"Exploring the Path from Digital Financial Literacy to QR Payment Adoption"



Mrs. Rihabb Al-Salameen contributes to the publication of a new study titled

"Error Messages Timing and Graphical Presentation for Smartphones Arabic Forms"



Dr. Ahmed Batran and Dr. Muath Abu Ejheisheh contribute to the publication of a new study titled

"The Relationship Between Professional Quality of Life and Work Environment Among Nurses in Intensive Care Units"



Dr. Mohammed Shadid contributes to the publication of a new study titled

"The Effect of the Application of the International Accounting Standard No. 36 (Impairment in the Value of Assets) on the Assessment of the Enterprise's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern in the Industrial Companies Listed on the Amman Stock Exchange"

Palestine Ahliya University is pleased to open its doors for productive research partnerships with academic institutions and distinguished researchers in various fields.

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