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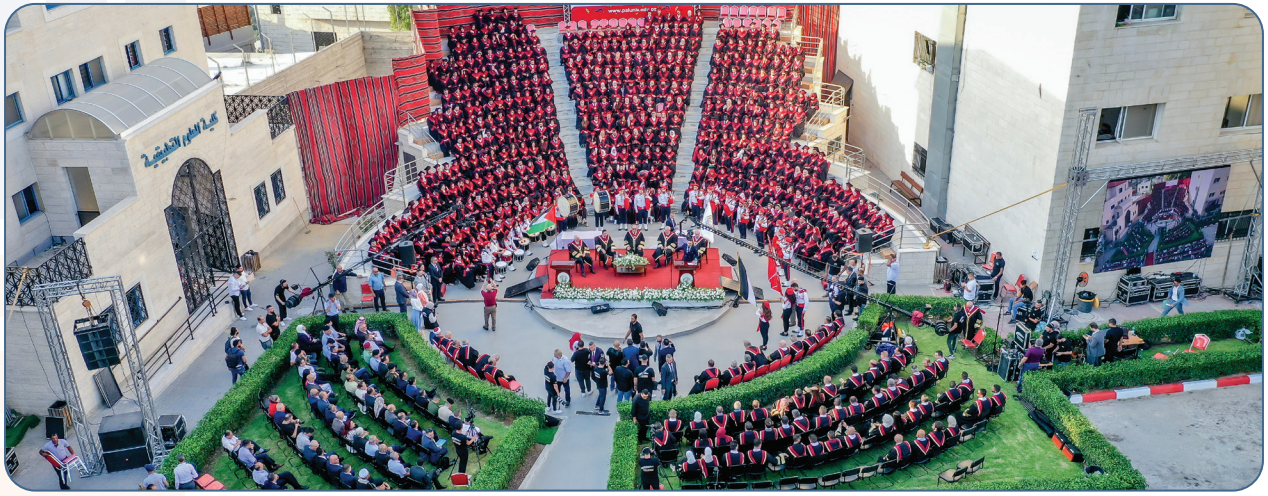


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At a time when challenges are intensifying and emotions are intertwined between anxiety and anticipation, the true value of the human spirit emerges in its capacity for resilience and its ability to reconstruct hope from the heart of adversity. Today, our universities are undergoing an exceptional phase: lecture halls once filled with the vibrant energy of students now stand silent, and corridors that once teemed with life have grown still. Yet the true spirit of the university—residing in the minds of its students and the breadth of their aspirations—has not faded, and will never fade.

Education is not confined to the boundaries of place, nor is it measured solely by the number of face-to-face hours; rather, it is a continuous journey of discovery and self-development. What we are experiencing today constitutes a genuine test of our ability to adapt and to transform challenges into opportunities for growth. The aware and engaged student recognizes that circumstances, no matter how difficult, can serve as a platform for advancing toward broader horizons of knowledge and skill.

In these moments, we recall the cohorts of graduates who have passed through this institution—those who stood proudly on graduation stages, holding their dreams in their hands and crowned with the achievements of years of dedication and perseverance. Their journey was not without obstacles; rather, it was marked by challenges that shaped their character and transformed their success into a story worth telling. The scenes of celebration, the smiles of families, and the tears of joy are not merely memories, but living testimony that perseverance bears fruit, no matter how long the journey may be.



Although the events and activities that once brought vibrancy to campus life are currently absent, this temporary pause does not signify the end of the university experience; rather, it invites us to redefine it. Today, each student has the opportunity to shape their own journey—to invest their time in developing new skills, deepening their knowledge, or even reassessing their priorities and goals. Difficult times often produce the strongest individuals, those most capable of leadership and meaningful impact.

Hope is not a fleeting feeling; it is a conscious decision—a decision that tomorrow will be better, and that what we experience today is part of a larger journey toward a brighter future. The future is not granted; it is built, brick by brick, idea by idea, through an unwavering will. Every experience, no matter how harsh it may seem, carries a lesson, and every stumble is an opportunity to rise stronger.

To our dear students: you are not merely recipients of knowledge, but architects of the future. What you face today will become part of your success stories tomorrow, stories you will share with pride for generations to come. Preserve your passion, hold fast to your dreams, and be assured that, no matter how long the path, it will lead you to moments worth all your patience and perseverance.

One day, the campus will once again come alive, graduation caps will soar high into the sky of joy, and applause will resound in celebration of your achievements. Until that day arrives, let this period be an opportunity to rebuild yourselves, strengthen your confidence, and prepare for a future that you are truly worthy of shaping.



Top News

Palestine Ahliya University Tops National Rankings and Secures a Place Among the World's Top 14 in the 2026 HE Ranking


March, 16th, 2026 Certificate ID: R2026-cer14

HE Higher Education Ranking

Certificate of Ranking

This certificate is awarded to

[Palestine Ahliya Universiry]

For being ranked (*14th*) in HE Higher Education Ranking, 2026 edition.

We acknowledge the outstanding commitment and excellence demonstrated by your university in maintaining a high standard of education and research, and for contributing towards the advancement of knowledge and innovation.

The ranking is accessible via the following link:

https://heranking.com/2026/paluniv.edu.ps

HE Higher Education Ranking

Dr. Mustafa Kayyali

Director of HE Higher Education Ranking

In a landmark academic achievement reflecting a sustained trajectory of excellence and institutional advancement, Palestine Ahliya University has attained notable global recognition. The University ranked first among Palestinian universities and secured a place among the world's leading institutions, according to the 2026 HE Higher Education Ranking. This accomplishment reaffirms its standing as a pioneering higher education institution capable of competing internationally despite prevailing challenges.

The results of the 2026 HE Higher Education Ranking revealed that Palestine Ahliya University secured first place nationally in Palestine and ranked 14th globally among more than 507 participating universities from 95 countries—an achievement that reflects the quality of its academic performance and the integration of its educational and research systems. According to the official ranking report, the University achieved a total score of 8,452 in the overall evaluation, placing it within approximately the top 5% of institutions globally. This distinction reflects the strength of its institutional framework and its capacity to attain excellence across diverse university performance indicators.

The HE Ranking is based on a comprehensive and advanced methodology, evaluating universities across 25 key criteria and 138 detailed indicators that encompass all dimensions of university performance, including research, quality of education, internationalization, student success, innovation, sustainability, governance, and societal impact.

This achievement is the result of a clear strategic vision that the University has pursued since its establishment in 2007, focusing on investing in quality education, promoting scientific research, attracting academic talent, and developing an integrated learning environment aligned with global advancements.

This ranking further underscores Palestine Ahliya University's prominent standing as a higher education institution capable of competing on the global stage, by adopting best practices in academic governance, expanding international partnerships, and strengthening its role in community service and sustainable development.

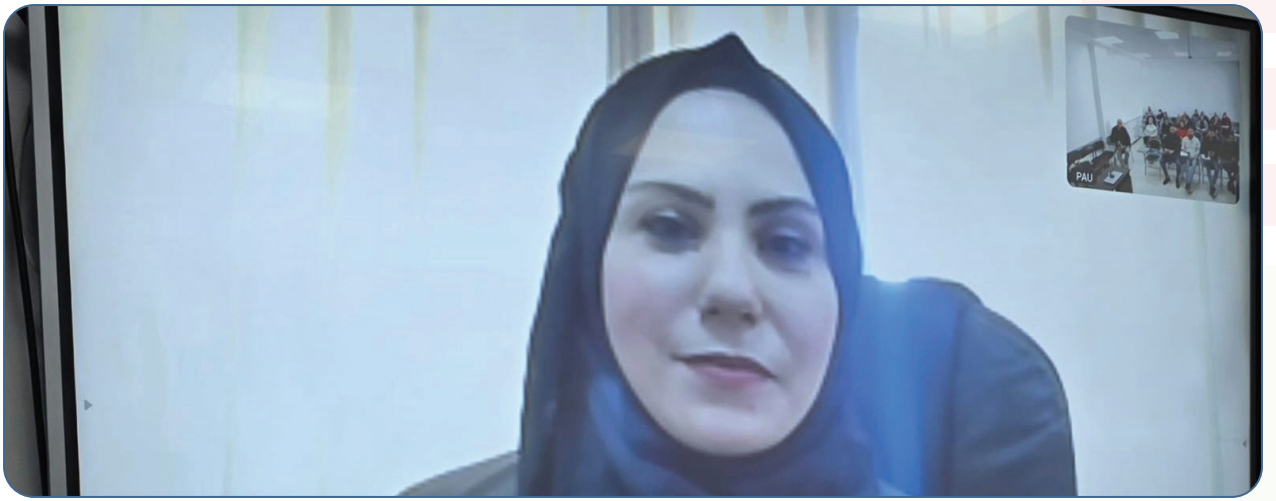
This qualitative advancement reflects not merely a numerical achievement in a global ranking, but a tangible realization of the University's vision to serve as a leading academic platform that contributes to knowledge production, human development, and the confident, impactful representation of Palestine on the international academic map.

Events

The Faculty of Law and the Official Gazette Office Launch
a Specialized Legal Training Program Titled

‘Foundations of Providing Legal Opinions on Draft Legislation.’





As part of enhancing preparedness for emergency situations, the Deanship of Student Affairs at Palestine Ahliya University and the Youth-Friendly Health Center, in collaboration with the Medical Relief Society organized an online workshop titled

‘Psychological First Aid’

The session was conducted by clinical psychologist Ms. Ameera Danoun and the coordinator of the Youth-Friendly Health Center, Dr. Heba Al-Darras.



Scientific Research Corner



Palestine Ahliya University is pleased to announce the release of the second issue of Volume four (2025) of the

"Palestine Ahliya University Journal for Research and Studies"

published by the Scientific Research Department. This peer-reviewed, open-access academic journal serves as a trusted resource for researchers and specialists, providing a scholarly platform for disseminating high-quality, peer-reviewed research. It welcomes submissions across a diverse array of fields, including engineering, computer and information technology, literature and the humanities, business and economics, the social sciences, medicine and healthcare, the natural sciences, agricultural and food sciences, nutrition, as well as interdisciplinary studies.

To access the third issue and to submit manuscripts for consideration please visit the journal's website:
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Dr. Jamil Itmazi published a new research paper titled
"Using Generative AI in nursing education:
Students' perceptions"



Dr. Rawan Siaj and Mr. Jiries Abu Ghannam published
a new research paper titled
"The Importance of Electronic Management in Enhancing
Performance Levels for Institutions Operating in the
Service Sector in Bethlehem Governorate"



Dr. Rose Hamarsheh published a new research paper titled
"Study of the Effect of Storage on the Physicochemical
Characteristics of Some Industrial Juices
Traded in Local Markets"



Pro. Ahmad Batran and Dr. Muath Abu Ejheisheh
Dr. Bahaa Al-Asoud and Mr. Ali Al-Batran published
a new research paper titled
"Determinants of Nurses' Compliance with Infection
Prevention and Control Practices in Critical Care Units"

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

You can contact us via email at: research.clinic@paluniv.edu.ps





The 100th among Arab Universities
The 5th among Palestinian Universities

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