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## Spotlight

### President Khuri delivers keynote speech at 250th celebrations of Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons

On the occasion of 250 years of the founding of the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, the university continues to host a series of events celebrating this historic milestone. May 12 and 13 served as a reunion weekend for the alumni of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, during which President Fadlo Khuri was a keynote speaker at his Alma Mater.

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## News

### Freshman Ramzi Yahia a gold-medal winner in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu

At only 17 years of age, Ramzi Yahia is a paragon of the modern scholar-athlete. Last month, Ramzi won gold at the World Professional Jiu-Jitsu Championship in Abu Dhabi with over 7,000 participants from more than 100 countries, becoming the youngest person to win in the adult division.

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### New partnership with UK Lebanon Tech Hub to support innovation and entrepreneurship

As part of its commitment to entrepreneurship and innovation, AUB, announced a partnership with the UK Lebanon Tech Hub in a formal signing ceremony attended by President Fadlo Khuri, Provost Mohamad Harajli, and Chairman of the Board of UKLTH Former Minister Nicolas Sehnaoui.

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### In Celebration of Humanistic Inquiry: AUB's University Medal Conferred on Etel Adnan

AUB is very pleased to announce that it has conferred the University Medal on Etel Adnan in recognition of her extraordinary achievements as a writer and visual artist. AUB President Fadlo R. Khuri bestowed the medal on Adnan in a celebration at her and her partner Simone Fattal's home in Paris.

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### Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Embassy Honors Innovative AUBMC and Lebanese Physicians for their Distinguished and Pioneering Contributions

The Saudi Embassy in Lebanon honored prominent Lebanese doctors with the title of "Innovative Doctors" for their service to humanity.

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## Events

### Upcoming Events

- **Advancement and University Libraries exhibit of AUB's 150th memorial silver coins**, May 18 - July 31, lobby of Jafet  
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- **Darwazah contest innovation gathering and awards ceremony**, May 22, 4pm, OSB, Maamari Aud.  
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- **IFI conference "Double Burden: Palestinian Refugees from Syria,"** May 23, 9:30am, IFI Aud.  
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- **Society of Friends of AUB Museum lecture "The Jewels of Saida," by Dr. André G. Sacy**, May 24, 5:30pm, Post Hall, Archaeological Museum  
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### Announcements

- KIP Workshop: Drafting and implementation of anti-sexual harassment guidelines within organizations' internal policies and regulations  
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