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## \_\_\_ Research and Outreach

### **Transformative Scholarship in Agriculture Announced to Schools in Northern Lebanon**

With an aim of promoting and developing the agriculture sector in Lebanon, the Raji and Fawzieh Sinno Scholarships in Agriculture, donated by the prominent alumnus and FAFS external advisory board member Khaled Sinno, will fund ten full scholarships for students over a period of five years.

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### **Congratulations to the Nutrition and Dietetics Coordinated Program at FAFS on Achieving Full Re-accreditation by the USA-Based ACEND**

This outstanding achievement re-confirms that AUB's Nutrition and Dietetics Coordinated Program meets the stringent requirements and expectations of the accredited nutrition education programs within the United States, making it the first nutrition and dietetics program in Lebanon and the region to allow its graduates to be eligible to sit for the US-Based Registration Examination for Dietitians and get awarded the credential of Registered Dietitian (RD).

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## \_\_\_ Events

### **FAFS' EAB Members Tour the FAFS Premises and Meet with Faculty and Staff**

For the first time during this academic year, FAFS welcomed its prominent External Advisory Board (EAB) members on its premises. EAB members toured FAFS facilities and gathered at the Nour Dajani Faculty Lounge to meet with FAFS faculty members.

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### **Sweet Corn Day at AREC**

The Sweet Corn Day was organized by the newly established Food and Agriculture Student Society at FAFS. Alumni, students, staff and their families and friends spent a joyful day and enjoyed a variety of activities at AREC.

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### **LDEM Professor Beata Dreksler Wins the Award for The Best Public Space in Poland 2017**

Dr. Beata Dreksler from the LDEM Department won the first prize in the competition for The Best Public Space in Poland 2017 for the "Public Space in Green" category, organized by Society of Polish Town Planners and Association of Polish Cities.

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### **ESDU Aims at Enhancing Food Security and Economic Resilience in Vulnerable Communities**

ESDU has led the agricultural part of the project entitled "Building the Food Security and Economic Resilience of Syrian Refugees and Vulnerable Members of their Host Communities in Beirut/Lebanon", implemented in collaboration with the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) and with support of The Near East Foundation (NEF).

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### **Dr. Hwalla Receives the TAKREEM "Excellence in Education" Award 2017**

Dr. Nahla Hwalla received the TAKREEM "Excellence in Education" Award 2017 for fulfilling the mission of TAKREEM through achievements and leadership in education.

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### **FAFS Researchers Develop a Research Agenda in the Field of Nutrition in Non-Communicable Diseases**

AUB ranked third in terms of research productivity in the area of nutrition and non-communicable diseases, after King Saud and King Abdulaziz universities. Among these universities, AUB ranked first in terms of quality of research.

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### **FAFS Students Explore the Business Side of Agriculture**

As part of the course AGBU 236: New Trends in Agricultural and Food Systems, agribusiness students visited hydroponic agriculture production sites and a goat farm and dairy products factory.

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### **FAFS Alumna among the Six Finalists in the 6th Annual Brilliant Lebanese Award 2017**

Nivine Bachir is an FAFS alumna who graduated in 2013 with an MSc in Nutrition and Dietetics. She is the founder of Appelite, a healthy cuisine.

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### **The Annual Fit-A-Thon Event**

Fourth year nutrition students at FAFS, in collaboration with the Health and Wellness Center at the American University of Beirut Medical Center (AUBMC), and the Nutrition Obesity and Related Diseases (NORD) program at the Global Health Institute (GHI), held their annual "Fit-A-Thon" event on Friday October 6th, 2017.

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### **The Raji and Fawzieh Sinno Student Services Office Inaugurated at FAFS**

The Raji and Fawzieh Sinno Student Services Office was inaugurated in an official dedication ceremony on Tuesday, August 29. The ceremony included a plaque revealing followed by speeches.

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## **— Workshops and Conferences**

### **ESDU Organizes a Workshop on Restoring Climate Smart Livelihoods in Conflict-Affected Dry Areas**

The workshop was held in collaboration with Cooperation Without Borders (CWB) and Aarsal Rural Development Association on November 29, 2017 at College Hall Auditorium B.

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### **The Food Security Program Hosts a Talk on "Water and Development"**

Speaking to an audience of students, faculty members, and guests, Professor Peter Mollinga discussed how the apparently mundane issue of unequal distribution of irrigation water is, in fact, a multidimensional problem.

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### **FAFS and FAS Professors Represent AUB at the International Breast Cancer Prevention Symposium in Uruguay**

Professors Nahla Hwalla and Rabih Talhouk represented AUB at the IBCN Think Tank and the Seventh International Breast Cancer Prevention Symposium: Creating Resources for Research and Interventions, which was held in Montevideo, Uruguay from October 30 till November 1, 2017.

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## Announcements

### Apply Now to the FAFS "Public Health Nutrition" Program

This new graduate program is dedicated to addressing nutrition-related public health problems to achieve nutritional wellbeing of the population in Lebanon and the region.

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### Apply Now to the FAFS "Food Safety" Graduate Program

This new MS program aims to equip graduates with the knowledge and expertise essential to contribute effectively to the prevention of foodborne diseases and equip them with control strategies to provide safe and wholesome foods to consumers.

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