



Special Report Achievements of the School of Law for the Academic Year 2016/2017



UJ Hosts Summer School on Armed Conflicts and Human Rights

A five-day summer school on armed conflicts and human rights was organized at the University of Jordan (UJ) during the period from 23 to 27 of July.

The 40-hours course was held by the Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Monitor, based in Geneva, in cooperation with UJ's School of Law.

The purpose of the course was to spread peace and human rights culture and promote adherence to international standards agreed upon in international law during armed conflicts.

20 jurists, law students and human rights researchers and practitioners from various Arab countries have participated in the school.

International experts and professors of international law from Tunisia, Lebanon, Palestine and Jordan provided the participants with comprehensive understanding of the international humanitarian law and armed conflicts, international human rights law and international criminal law.





School of Law Celebrates Summer Graduates

The School of Law on Saturday, October 15, held a ceremony to celebrate its summer semester graduates as part of the School's 36th graduation ceremony.

67 graduates in the undergraduate level and 20 in the postgraduate level received their degrees in front of their families and friends.

Prof. Fayyad Al-qudah, the School's dean, delivered a speech in which he expressed his congratulations to the graduates, and wished them a bright future and successful careers.

Al-qudah urged the graduates to defend the rule of law, and to be front liners in speaking out against injustice.

Al-qudah also spoke about the school's accomplishments and future plans.





Meeting of President with Faculty Members in law and Prince Al Hussein Bin Abdullah II School of International Studies

This Thursday 3/11/2016 morning his Excellency Prof. Azmi Mahafzah, president of the University, together with vice president for social sciences faculties, visited the Faculty of Law to meet the faculty members in both the Law School and Prince Hussein School for International Studies. The president was welcomed by Prof. Fayyad Alquddah Dean of the Faculty of Law, his assistants, heads of departments and Prof. Abullah Naqrash dean of Prince Hussein Faculty. Following a short welcome and introductory comment by Dean Alquddah, the president presented to the faculty about the university, the financial standing in particular; he also discussed current and future plans to overcome a number of fiscal shortcomings. In addition, the president recognized the Law School's need to raise the necessary funds to finance a new building suitable for its needs and developmental aspirations and the school's pressing need to attract new faculty members.

His Excellency then addressed all questions raised by members of both schools, which covered a scale of topics such as fostering investment and revenue generation, enhancing academic activities in both schools and making necessary fund available, the legislative environment in the university, and the teaching process and many associated issues in general.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Dean Alquddah thanked the president for his kind visit and devoting his precious time to listen and engage faculty in both school in productive discussions.





"The Faculty of Law Hosts a Workshop on the Profession of Notary Public"

This Under the auspices of his Excellency Minister of Justice Dr. Aoud Abu jarrad and in cooperation with the French embassy in Amman, the Faculty of Law, higher council for French notary public, and the Lebanese council of notary public, The university of Jordan organized in the faculty of law today a workshop specialized in the profession of notary public.

Minister Abu Jarrad addressed the audience (notably included: French ambassador David Bertolotti, president of the University his Excellency Prof. Azmi Mahafzah, Dean of the Faculty of Law Prof. Fayyad Alquddah) emphasizing that this workshop comes in recognition of the legal role played the notary public and the importance of legal outcomes based on the procedures undertaken and executed by the notary public whether it concerns notarization of contracts, documentation of disclosers, organization of powers of attorney, legal bail, and others. The minister added that the ministry and through the help of legal and judiciary expertise has developed a preliminary draft to amend the notary public's law. The minister elaborated that the draft encompasses many innovative ideas including reassessing the scientific methodology followed in organizing and classifying the articles of the law, the conditions required in a notary public, the authority of the Justice minister of the name any public servant to assume the duties of a notary public, and electronic archiving, banning of alteration or mutilation of procedures following notarization. In addition, the draft stipulates that a by-law to be passed. According By-law No. 22 for 2015 for licensing of notary publics was enacted.

The Minister explained that in order to strengthen the public's trust and develop its services to the public, the ministry has worked to left up the institutional capacity and capabilities of public institutions including the notary-public bureau, to intensify excellence culture. In additions, the ministry improved the level of transparency in the public-notary processing its duties through use of protected notes, direct electronic connection, smart IDs which helps addressing issues such as forgery and fraud in the Bureau of Land Registry and other bureaus.

In order to facilitate delivery of notary public services, the minster mentioned that the private notary publics by-law has been promulgated stating that many lawyers have been licensed as notary public and that work is ongoing to license others in institutions other than courts such as the Chamber of Commerce and the Foreign Ministry.

The French ambassador, in turn, mentioned the great and productive cooperation between his country and the kingdom particularly in the field of legal and judicial expertise exchange emphasizing that this workshop comes as a fruit of this cooperation which aims build on this in legal and judicial and other aspects of collaboration. The ambassador, also mentioned the French experience in developing the provision of notary public indicating that it assumes vital and sensitive duties in courts as this provision is considered rooted deeply with great heritage.

The dean of the faculty of law, Prof. Fayyad Al-qudah, said this workshop is organized through support of the French embassy in Amman and comes as part of the faculty's legal, cultural, and educational activities. In particular, this workshop is organized to shed light on the new notary public by-law which permits licensed lawyers to assume notary public duties which are considered sensitive ones most notably: authentication of contracts, powers of attorney, including irrevocable sale of property power of attorney which amounts in its effects to property vending contracts.

The dean adds that the faculty has decided to pioneer in addressing this experience through exploring the situation in France and Lebanon since both countries are among the first countries to allow lawyers undertake public notarization duties. The dean also mentioned that this workshop tries to evaluate the technical experience in Jordan and benefit from other countries' experiences.

At the conclusion of the workshop the president of the University, Prof. Azzmi Mahafzah, presented the minister of Justice, the French ambassador, as well as many participating judges and experts with plaques and commemorative inscriptions .





Five -Team law School's Soccer championship

Under the auspices of the Faculty's dean, Prof. Fayyad Al-Qdah and the presence of Dr. Ashraf Al-Edwan and Dr. Awad Al-Lemon and a large number of spectators, the faculty's soccer team organized the third annual final match of the faculty's soccer championship. The outcome of the match was 7-3 for the Law School's Team.





Forced Labor Seminar: Lived Realities and Case Studies

In cooperation with the USAID Role of Law program, The Faculty of Law and the Center of Women Studies at the University of Jordan, USAID Takamol held a policy session in participation with experts and activists in the field of forced labor on Monday 7 December 2016. The policy session targets an audience of 200 people consisted of human rights activists, research centers, academics and university students. The event concluded with a slam poetry performance by "El Ma7ki Ma3 Takamol" young poets with a focus on highlighting gender equity, gender stereotypes, economic challenges youth face, harassment, and issues of gender based violence.





The Law School and Brigham Young University Discuss Cooperation

On this day February 8th, 2017, the Dean of the Law School Professor Fayyad Alqudah, in the presence of Dr. Saad Abuelghanam (Dean's Assistant for Development and Quality assurance Affairs, met with the delegation of Brigham Young University (BYU) from the State of Utah in the USA; the delegation is composed of Professor Brett Scharffs, Director of the BYU International Center for Law and Religion Studies, retired U.S. Federal Judge Clifford Wallace and Dr. Erlend D. Peterson from BYU.

The two sides discussed the opportunities for cooperation in the field of Law and Religion studies where both agreed on the necessity to organize an international conference on the topic of Law and Religion hosted by the Law School in the University of Jordan in Amman next year.

The parties also agreed on the main theme of the conference to emphasize on the Amman Message, Jordan's work on interfaith harmony, and King Abdullah's recent discussion paper on the rule of law and the civil state.

In addition, the delegation extended an invitation to the Professor Alqudah to participate in the African Consortium of Law and Religion Studies conference to be held in Morocco on May 15-16, 2017.





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A Delegation from the Baharani Applied Sciences, University visits the Law School/ University of Jordan



The Dean of the Law School Prof. Fayyad Al-quddah met on February 6th 2017 a delegation from the Bahranian Applied Sciences University.

The aim of the visiting delegation is to have a close look at the experience and development of the Law school in a range of areas including academic programs, training, teaching methods, Extracurricular activities such as moot courts and legal clinics, and the opportunity for future students and faculty exchange.

At the conclusion of the visit, both sides agreed that they need to develop their relation and strengthen it in a form a cooperation agreement to be signed once both parties agree on all terms.

Besides the Dean, the team of the Law schooled included the Deputy Dean Prof. Auad Zeubi, Heads of Private and Public Law Departments Dr. Asharaf Aladwan and Dr. Walid Alqadi, and Dean's Assistants for Development and Quality Assurance and Students Affairs Dr. Saad Abuelghanam and Dr. Auad Limoon, while the Baharani delegation was composed of Dr. Hussain Bny eissa — debuty dean, Head of public law department Dr. Ramzy Heallat and Dr ghith Khasawneh.



A Seminar on Cybercrime Organized at UJ

The School of Law organized at the University of Jordan (UJ) on Tuesday a seminar entitled "Cybercrime: theory and practice".

The seminar featured Public Prosecutor Rami Tarawneh and head of the Cyber Crime Section at the Public Security Administration Maj. Raed Rawashdeh and was moderated by Dr. Hassan Al-Tarawne.





Aladwan Appointed Members of ASE Board of Directors

The Cabinet has decided to appoint Dr. Ashraf I. Aladwan – Chairman of the Department of Private law at the School of Law - at the Board of Directors of the Amman Stock Exchange (ASE).

Aladwan holds a Ph.D degree in Civil Law from The University of Poitiers (Université de POITIERS), France.

He held many faculty and Administrative positions at UJ, including the Director of Control and Internal Audit Department, Assistant Dean of the School of Law, and Deputy Dean for Student Affairs.

Dr. Ashraf is a practicing lawyer who specializes in Insurance Disputes Cases; he is also the supervisor of the Future Judges Program.

