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NEWSLETTER OVERVIEW

As graduates of our university, you are the most potent symbol of our success and effectiveness as an institution, and it is only appropriate that we continue to support and nurture you along your journey.

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ABOUT THE ALUMNI-CAREER CENTER

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The Alumni-Career Center supports maintaining strong relations among an exceedingly engaged and vibrant community of more than 7,000 alumni. Graduates of GUST are the most potent symbol of success and effectiveness as an institution, and it is only appropriate that the Center continues to support and nurture alumni along their professional journey. As part of the mission and accomplishing our objectives, alumni are offered outstanding services and continuous support throughout their careers.

MISSION

To cultivate GUST loyalty by creating a sustainable community of alumni and encouraging them to participate actively and passionately in the community through offering a dynamic alumni program that would foster lifelong bonds between GUST and its graduates who are forever the genuine asset of GUST.

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ALUMNI SUCCESS STORY



YAHYA HAMEED
MIS | GRADUATED 2011

NAME OF BUSINESS

10X PRODUCTION

Yahya established 10X Production in 2016, the spark of the idea started when he was a student. The idea developed as he gained more experience throughout the years. It all started in an office by himself and has now expanded to having twelve employees. 10X Productions has a broad client profile such as Al Shaya Enterprise, Al Salam International Hospital, Kuwait Proteins, and so much more. Hopefully, in the near future he looks forward to expanding his business in the UAE. A word of advice to students and fellow alumni, always remember, if your dreams don't scare you then they are not big enough.

ALUMNI SUCCESS STORY



DANA AL DOWEESH
MIS | GRADUATED 2008

NAME OF BUSINESS

VAN LIFE

Dana kick started her career at “NBK Capital” as Talent Management Trainee – HR, with progress throughout her 6 years tenure she was promoted 3 times. The skills and competencies she has gained qualified her for a managerial position in “Boursa Kuwait” where she took part in the transition of the Government owned entity to a private sector. She established two businesses related to travel and currently working on her third project related to F&B industry. Dana is a full-time entrepreneur since 2019 and hopes you all find her story inspirational to pursue your goals.



ABDULAZIZ AL ZAWAWI

PUBLIC RELATIONS & ADVERTISING | GRADUATED 2014



GET TO KNOW YOUR ALUMNI

WHAT WERE THE OBSTACLES AND CHALLENGES YOU HAD TO OVERCOME?

I had to explore several jobs related to my major in PR within the private sector, until I finally worked in a bank as customer relationship officer.

HOW DID GUST HELP PREPARE YOU FOR SUCCESS?

GUST played a major role in shaping my personality. I learned how to socialize, and be a team player due to many projects and classwork that required team work. Moreover, GUST's environment prepared me to be a punctual and responsible person.

WHO FROM GUST INFLUENCED AND INSPIRED YOU THE MOST?

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dr. Fahad Al Sumait for his support and constant encouragement during and after my years at GUST.

WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR THE FUTURE?

After working in the private sector for five years and gaining my masters from the UK in Media and Public Relations, I am pursuing my teaching career in Public Relations. Five years from now I am planning to get my PhD in Media Studies.

WHAT ARE SOME WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT YOU'D SHARE WITH OUR CURRENT STUDENTS?

Never give up, have confidence in your abilities and you will reach your desired target. I wish you all reach your full potential. The sky is your limit. Good luck.

AHMAD SHEWAIKANI

MARKETING | GRADUATED 2017



CURRENT POSITION

ASSOCIATE AT ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

WHAT WERE THE OBSTACLES AND CHALLENGES YOU HAD TO OVERCOME?

Figuring out how to truly employ my skills and talents, developing my communication skills and high school to university transition. GUST has so much to offer and it is only up to the student to make the best out of it, by tapping into the endless resources provided (e.g. Library, Office hours, Clubs, events, student success center, counselling center).

HOW DID GUST HELP PREPARE YOU FOR SUCCESS?

GUST has prepared me with all the needed facilities to focus on studies as well as grow in an educated and mature social environment. Most of all handpicking professors from some of the best universities in the world to lecture us fortunate students.

WHO FROM GUST INFLUENCED AND INSPIRED YOU THE MOST?

Dr. Chawla (Marketing), Dr. Muhammad Musa (Physics), and working in the student success center inspired me most.

WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR THE FUTURE?

Building my work experiences and growing within the field of International Business to be part of the business trade between North America and The Middle East region. To help businesses expand internationally.

WHAT ARE SOME WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT YOU'D SHARE WITH OUR CURRENT STUDENTS?

Make sure to enjoy every moment and be present. Do make friendships with professors and exchange ideas with them. GUST does a really good job hiring the best of the best. Get to know yourself and talents better.

GET TO KNOW YOUR ALUMNI



COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

DR. MOHAMMED ALI

DEPARTMENT

ECONOMIC & FINANCE

JOINED GUST

2019

WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT YOUR ROLE AT GUST?

Interacting with students, faculty and being able to experience the growth of student knowledge

SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH ONLINE TEACHING.

Online teaching in my experience was interesting. It was both good and bad in its own way. As I did miss the face to face and interactions with the students, being online meant that not seeing the students in person would leave a gap of understanding delivery short-comings. On the other hand, I learnt a lot being online, from providing technological solutions in teaching methodologies to creating a more efficient work-flow being online. Being digital also meant giving students access to information faster and available by a click of a button which works out for both.

ANY ADVICE YOU WOULD GIVE OUR ALUMNI?

Don't be afraid to make mistakes.

PUBLICATIONS:

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ALUMNI CLUB DINNER

The Alumni Club Dinner series was held in August 2022 where previous club members and business owners were invited for an intimate dinner at the Regency Hotel.



GUST ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS

UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF KUWAIT TOURNAMENT (UAAK):

Men's Volleyball:

- 1st place in the tournament.
- First team to achieve 1st place in GUST history.
- First undefeated team in GUST's history to win the tournament.

Men's Futsal:

- 2nd place in the tournament.

Women's Volleyball:

- First team to rank 1st place for four years in a row
- Received the fair play shield.

Women's Football:

- 2nd Place in the tournament.

KUWAIT SCHOOL SPORTS & HIGHER EDUCATION FEDERATION TOURNAMENT (KWSP.E.HE):

GUST received the honorary shield for its athletic contributions.

Women's volleyball:

- 1st Place in the tournament.

Women's futsal:

- 2nd Place in the tournament.

Women's basketball:

- 2nd Place in the tournament.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION OF KUWAIT:

GUST is the first university to compete as a club and to rank 3rd Place in the history of the women's basketball league.



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