



# SZABIST DUBAI

## INSIGHT 2016-2017

### Fall 2016

A colorful celebration was organized at SZABIST Dubai to mark the Independence Day of Pakistan. The celebration was attended by faculty/staff and students of SZABIST Dubai on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2016.

SZABIST Dubai organized the annual Summer Workshop in August 2016 as part of the initiative "Partners in Education". Photography, Web Development and Communications Skills were the taught components at the workshop.



In August 2016 SZABIST Dubai joined hands with Pakistan Association Dubai. On the occasion of Pakistan Independence Day, SZABIST Dubai announced 2 Merit Scholarships at Pakistan Association Dubai. The scholarships were for undergraduate programs at SZABIST Dubai.



Orientation ceremony was held for Fall 2016 student intake in September 2016. Director SZABIST Dubai, Ms. Bakhtawar Bhutto Zardari addressed the new students at this occasion. Ms. Aseefa Bhutto Zardari was also present at this occasion.



In October/November 2016 SZABIST Dubai Cricket team under the guidance of coach, Mr. Muhammad Ali Awan won 2 major tournaments at American University Sharjah and BITS Pilani Dubai. In both tournaments SZABIST Dubai team defeated the host teams in the Finals. SZABIST Dubai cricket team was runner up in a major tournament at



Manipal University and Al Ain League Cricket Tournament. SZABIST Dubai team received winning trophy at BITS Pilani from the legendary Diego Maradona.

In November 2016, the Student Chapter of IEEE was established at SZABIST Dubai and the IEEE Student Council was formed to actively participate in the activities of the chapter. The council comprises of Chairperson: Taimoor Ahmed, Vice Chairperson: Fabeha Javid, Secretary: Sana Masood, Treasurer: Hadia Shah.

On 29<sup>th</sup> November 2016 Business Research Methods students visited Dubai Statistics Centre with Dr. Nasreen Suhail Khan.

In November 2016 Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank conducted a session for new students to inform about responsible savings.



SZABIST Dubai Computer Science Department organized a Counter-Strike Tournament. Winning Team "Ez\_Frags" (Mohammad Waqas, Danial Ahmed, Ihtisham Nadeem, Mohammad Wali, Mohammad Baseer).

SZABIST Dubai students, faculty and staff went on a recreational trip to Radisson Blu Fujairah in November 2016. The trip was organized by SZABIST Dubai Student Council.

A Colorful Event "Zabela" was organized by Media Science students as part of their project for Event Management in December 2016.

Students organized project based events for Marketing Management, Consumer Behavior and Entrepreneurship in December 2016.

An informative seminar on Sustainable Travel and Tourism was held at SZABIST Dubai for the visiting students from University of Southern California Marshal School in January 2016. The event was organized by Ms.Nabila Arif, Program Manager BBA. Dr. Pooja and Dr. Nasreen presented at the seminar.

School students from Pakistan Education Academy, Pakistan Islamia Higher Secondary School Sharjah, HH Sheikh Rashid Al Makhtoum Pakistani School visited SZABIST Dubai. Students were informed about Career Options and various academic programs leading to those career options.

### Spring 2017

Orientation ceremony was held for new students in February 2017. Dr. Altaf Mukati (Vice President Academics SZABIST) was present at the orientation and addressed the new students.



In February 2017, SZABIST Dubai announced a collaborative top-up program in the areas of Computer Science and Media Science, with the University of Bedfordshire, UK. Students having successfully completed

4 semesters at SZABIST Dubai will be given the option to complete their last 2 semesters at University of Bedfordshire, UK.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017 a Short Films, Video and Music screening was organized by the Media Sciences department.

SZABIST Dubai team under Mr. Awan's coaching reached the finals of the Skyline Tournament in February 2017.

In March 2017, the SZABIST Dubai IEEE Student Chapter organized a Tech Quiz.

In March 2017, Prime Medical Centre organized a health check up for students, staff and faculty at SZABIST Dubai.

An exciting trip to Mussandum was organized by the SZABIST Dubai Student Council. It was the first time that a trip was organized outside U.A.E.

In April 2017, two students of SZABIST Dubai Computer Science Department received 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Microsoft office Specialist (MOS) Championship UAE 2017

Wafa Javaid - (Runner up Word)

Uzair Ahmed - (Runner up Excel)

Danial Ahmed, Danish Ahmed and Sardar Jahangir reached the finals as well.

IEEE Student Council SZABIST Dubai organized Innovative Idea Competition in April 2017. The winner of the Innovative Idea Competition was Mr. Danial Ahmed.

In April 2017, Executive Director for SHRM MEA, Mr. Brad Boyson delivered a lecture/seminar on Talent Development, Engagement and Retention. Mr. Brad Boyson has spent 15 years holding senior HR roles in globally diverse organizations like Mitsubishi Corporation (Tokyo), Royal Caribbean International (Miami) and most recently Hamptons/Emaar (Dubai). He holds Masters Degree in HR from the Thomas Edison School of Business. Mr. Boyson's affiliation with SHRM, the world's largest HR association, began in 1999 and has continued till date.

Mr. Harjinder Singh Lallie from the University of Warwick spoke to SZABIST Dubai students about ransomware, a malicious software that locks a device, such as a computer, tablet or smartphone and then demands a ransom to unlock it. Mr. Harjinder leads the MSc Cyber Security and Management degree and teaches three modules on the programme. In his 19-year academic career, Harjinder has developed and lead a number of very successful University courses in Computer Networks, Digital Forensics and Cyber security at both undergraduate and postgraduate level. Recently, he acted as consultant to the International Atomic and Energy Agency (IAEA) at the United Nations in Vienna.

A colorful Cultural Week was organized at SZABIST Dubai in May 2017, portraying the beautiful colors and customs of the rich culture of Pakistan. The Student Council

spearheaded the cultural event. The students made the culture come alive through their wonderful dances, performances and skits.

In May 2017, students of Human Computer Interaction (HCI) organized a display of their creative ideas and concepts.

In June 2017, students and staff from University of Bedfordshire visited SZABIST Dubai. Dr. Hummayoun conducted an interactive session for the students from Bedfordshire and SZABIST Dubai.

In July 2017, SZABIST Dubai Student Placement Cell (Dr. Nasreen Sohail Khan) organized a Relationship Building Event between academia and industry. The event was organized under SZABIST Dubai Partners in Education Series geared towards recognizing the support that students receive from schools for academic preparedness, and from various organizations in the form of placements, internships and job opportunities.

SZABIST Dubai celebrated the Pakistan Independence Day on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2017 with usual fervor and excitement.

Another successful Summer Workshop was organized for grade 11-12 students at SZABIST Dubai. The workshop included Communication Skills, Poster Making with Adobe Photoshop and Shooting with Mobile Camera.

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