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__ Faculty __

First Graduate Diploma in Food Security in the Region

The Food Security Program at the American University of Beirut is proud to announce that it will offer the region's first graduate Diploma in Food Security in summer 2015.

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AUB Professor, Dr. Talhouk, Publishes Trees of Lebanon

Dr. Salma Talhouk, an American University of Beirut professor in the Department of Landscape Design and Ecosystem Management, and a number of collaborators published Trees of Lebanon, a book detailing how to grow trees from seeds and the cultural importance of trees native to Lebanon.

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__ Research __

Manuscript by FAFS Alumna, Nour Makarem, Accepted by Cancer Causes and Control Journal

A manuscript co-authored by Nour Makarem, an NYU doctoral student in nutrition and FAFS alumna in nutrition, has been accepted by the internationally refereed journal, Cancer Causes and Control.

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__ Accolades __

Dean Hwalla is Elected Member of the Scientific Advisory Board for CIHEAM

Dean Nahla Hwalla is now a member of the Scientific Advisory Board for the International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM). Members of the Scientific Advisory Board are "eminent" and "prominent persons" in the fields of Mediterranean agriculture, food, and rural development.

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__ Events __

FAFS Alumni Gather for the End of Year Reception
The FAFS team and a large number of FAFS alumni gathered at Mary Dodge Hall to celebrate the end of 2014.

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Symposium on "Nutrition and Exercise for Health: Emerging Updates"

The Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences and the Lebanese Academy for Nutrition and Dietetics organized a symposium on "Nutrition and Exercise for Health: Emerging Updates."

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LDEM Hosted Three Presentations by International Landscape Architects

The Department of Landscape Design and Ecosystem Management hosted presentations by Dr. SueAnne Ware, Caroline Lavoie, and Chris Johnstone.

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"The Swiss Touch in Landscape Architecture"

"The Swiss Touch in Landscape Architecture" was an event initiated by ProHelvetia and brought to Lebanon by both the Department of Landscape Design and Ecosystem Management at the American University of Beirut and the Embassy of Switzerland in Lebanon.

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FAFS Students Nominated to Attend AFED

Michelle Moawad and Mohammad Mourtada were nominated to attend the Arab Forum for Environment and Development (AFED) in Jordan in November 2014 and delivered a much awaited statement there.

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BLC Award for Adlieh Roundabout

Landscape design students reimagined the Adlieh Roundabout in a design competition organized by BLC Bank. Nour Farhat's "Rewind" design received the top prize.

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Dr. Abou Jawdeh wins the Rebeiz Award

Dr. Youssef Abou Jawdeh won the Rebeiz Award for Agricultural Research. The Rebeiz Award is dedicated to promoting agricultural research at AUB.

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Lebanese Primary School Students Will Now Study Nutrition Thanks to AUB Professor

The Lebanese Ministry of Education and Higher Education has decided to incorporate the school nutrition program developed by celebrity dietitian and AUB professor Carla Habib Mourad into the national primary school health curriculum. The program is titled "Nestle Healthy Kids Global Program- Ajyal Salima" and is a part of the Epode International Network, the world's largest childhood obesity prevention network.

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