

High Lights

BZU Mourns Mr. Hasib Sabbagh



Birzeit University mourns the passing of Mr. Hasib Sabbagh, an honorary member of its Board of Trustees. Mr. Sabbagh was a prominent Palestinian figure distinguished for his pioneering role in developing Palestinian public institutions, which contributed to Palestinian national development in general, and for his efforts in supporting social, economic, and cultural development in Palestine. [More...](#)

International Cooperation

Signing of an Agreement between BZU's Media Development Center and the Swedish Agency for International Development

On 5 January 2010, BZU President, Dr. Nabeel Kassis, signed a cooperation agreement with the Swedish Agency for International Development (SIDA) for the development of the local media, , [More...](#)



Academic Activities

Seminars on the Challenges of High Buildings in Palestine

The Faculty of Engineering opened on 26 December 2010 a series of seminars in civil engineering on the challenges of high buildings in Palestine, [More...](#)



Innovative Initiatives - Department of Philosophy and Cultural Studies Offers Two New Courses

"It was called Palestine, became known as Palestine", words by the late Poet, Mahmoud Darweesh, Palestine shall remain in our minds. Proudly, the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Studies has offered new two courses: "Palestine: Past and Present" and " Palestinian Cultural and Visual Studies " for the current semester. [More...](#)



An Intellectual Seminar on “The Jew, the Arab: A History of the Enemy
The Philosophy and Cultural Studies Department and the Masters Program in Contemporary Arab Studies at Birzeit University held on Wednesday, 18 December 2010, [More...](#)



Department of Arabic language and Literature hosts the Swedish writer Ulf Stark
In coordination with the Palestinian Ministry of Culture, the Department of Arabic Language and Literature at BZU hosted on 25 January 2010, [More...](#)

Publications

A New Book by the Institute of Women's Studies
The Institute of Women's Studies (IWS) has published a new book "Small Places and Big Issues: three Palestinian neighborhoods under occupation", prepared by the researchers: Rula Abu Daho, Lamis Abu Nakhla, Dr. Lisa Taraki, Penny Johnson, Amira Silmi and Jamil Hilal. [More...](#)



The **Department of Languages and Translation** has published its First National Symposium Proceedings under the title: **Quality English Teaching: Encountering Challenges** copies are available at the Department Chairman's office free for readers. The Second National Symposium's Proceedings are also under print.

Scientific Articles in Refereed Journals

Department of Chemistry

- A.Latif Abuhijleh, Hijazi Abu Ali, Abdul-Hamid Emwas,(2009), Synthesis, Spectral and Structural Characterization of Dinuclear rhodium (II) Complex of the anticonvulsant drug Valproate with theophylline caffeine, *Journal of Organometallic Chemistry*, Issue No. 694, pp 3590-3596.

Institute of Environmental and Water Studies

- A. Al-Khatib, I. S. Al-Remawi, L. I. Ghait, A. A. Takrouri (2009) Quality of water and access to it in the Occupied Palestinian Territory. *Eastern Mediterranean Health Journal*, 15(6), 1542-1552.
- Al-Khatib, I.A., Arafat, H.A. (2009) Chemical and Microbiological Quality of Desalinated Water, Groundwater and Rain-Fed Cisterns in the Gaza Strip, Palestine. *Desalination*, 249, 1165–1170.

Working Papers

Department of Languages and Translation

Dr. Samir M Rammal, The Chairman of the Department of Languages and Translation has recently participated in Central Asia Middle East and North Africa (CAMENA) Oxford University Press Conference that was Held in Amman, Jordan Jan. 17-20, 2010. He presented a paper entitled: **Digital Material in the EFL Classroom**.

Cultural Activities

Discussing the Book "Social Transformations and Classes in the West Bank and Gaza Strip ... a critical view"

The Center for Development Studies at BZU / Gaza Strip held on 28 December 2009 a workshop to discuss the book "Social Transformations and Classes in the West Bank and Gaza Strip," by Mr. Ghazi Surani, [More...](#)



Creative Art Works by Palestinian Women

The Ethnographic and Art Museum at BZU hosted two art exhibitions on 30 January 2010, one entitled "Intimate Novels", representing a composite video art, which is a modern art in Palestine that conveys intellectual and visual messages on vital issues, The second, entitled "Made by her hands," [More...](#)

Social Activities

Institute of Law

Organizes a Training Course for Lecturers at the Police College

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& Celebrate

the Graduation of Participants in the Training Course on "Development of Education and Training Methods and Skills " , [More...](#)

& held

Legal Encounter on Intellectual Property Laws in Palestine

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Students Affairs

Activities of the Students Affairs Deanship at BZU

The Palestinian Ministry of Health in cooperation with the Blood Bank honored Palestinian universities and colleges, mainly the coordinator of the voluntary work, Ms. Ghada Omary, and a number of university students for their spirit of responsibility and participation.

On the other hand, the voluntary work division organized a loan scheme of used books in various academic disciplines in the activities hall, where the loan is open for three days, from which dozens of students have benefited. [More...](#)



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