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During my experience with Al Fakhoora, I realized that teamwork increases the chances of success and enhances self-confidence. One should dream and consistently pursue their dream no matter how impossible it is. As I shared this with my sisters, I gave them doses of hope and confidence in the future.
“Amna Al Telbani, Dentistry 23 yr

Restoring hope and confidence, turning my dream into reality, opening up new opportunities and skill ing that I'd never expected before; that is how Al Fakhoora has changed my life. The amount of activities, particularly the social, recreational and group activities were very significant to the improvement of my personality. I owe Al Fakhoora what I have become today; an outstanding student full of hope for the future.”
Joining Al Fakoora turned me from a woman with ordinary ambitions to a woman that constantly pursuing excellence and leaving a personal touch in my community and beyond. I can see the change in my personality. The way I address challenges and my vision for the future. Al Fakoora is an inspirational programme, where I had the passion to share the skills that I have learnt with my family, friends and fellow colleagues at university.
Despite that life in Gaza is always in crises, I have always been optimistic. My hopes came true as I was awarded Al Fakhoora scholarship. Al Fakhoora helped me overcome university challenges, contributed to my psychological stability, so I continued my studies with trust and confidence. The rich courses that I have undertaken tripled that trust and confidence so I can pave my road with successes and positive change, serving my people and community.
Al Fakhoora taught me the importance of developing a vocation of giving back aside from one’s profession; by engaging more in the community and showing positive actions, not just empty words or slogans in the street, but a series of committed small actions that aim to change lives and the course of history.
During my experience in Al Fakhoora programme, I was able to build my intellectual abilities in many areas; the most important of which is leadership skills and increased self-confidence. I started investing these skills in achieving my future goals.
As an Al Fakhoora student, I learned that success does not mean that you have to be fully devoted to your books. You need to interact with your community, leave your own mark. Many of my colleagues are now paying attention to the importance of doing so.
Al Fakhoora for me is an educational and professional journey. It’s full of passion, love, excellence, challenges, and successes. The quality of leadership has been so motivating, as it relates to what I stand for today: a junior professional that is making a positive difference at my work and among my colleagues who consider me a role model for success.
A bridge to achieve success and excel in my studies, career and future; this is what Al Fakhoora is for me. Learning about values and practices of effective leadership have been among the key skills that I have developed. My family was always excited about my trainings. They were always curious about the knowledge I am receiving and how I was sharing it with my sisters, who also learned a lot from and about Al Fakhoora. Al Fakhoora motivated me to become an outstanding student and maintain a high rates at my college.
Al Fakhoora made me more aware of my abilities, discovering the strength within me. The learnings that I have received made me able to face difficulties and challenges, made me influential on the people around me. Giving me an outstanding place among my colleagues. Being born an orphan, Al Fakhoora was a family that supported me with lots of new friends and colleagues. I hope that Al Fkahoora will continue and benefit students, not only with the financial support but with the skills that make us engage with the world differently.
Al Fakhoora helped me acquire the skills necessary to contribute in my community. The communication skills, for example, have enabled me to be a brave public speaker, get to know a diverse group of people, and build a network where we can work together for a better future.
It was a turning point; this is how Dynamic Futures transformed my life. It's the course of life that shifted my perspective from a person who prefers to stay academically focused to a very active engaging person in the community. I lived through it as a journey of exploring my personal strength.
I always had a dream to become an inspirational woman. As I joined Al Fakhoora, it was more than a scholarship for me. It’s the programme that turned my passion into reality. The leadership skills that I have acquired made me a better communicator, able to build networks and inspire my university colleagues on how to proactively give back to the community.
Braver, more confident and an explorer of new skills, those are just a few of the many techniques that I have been equipped with during my journey with Al Fakhoora. Interacting academically with Al Fakhoora fellow students enriched my learning experience and provided me with a network with students from different specialties and universities. Thanks for the English language and computer skills. I feel now more competent to apply for challenging jobs.
It's a change in my personality. A total change of the way I look at life, how to interact with others, how to act professionally in a work environment and how to leave a mark within the community through voluntary initiatives. Above all, I learnt with Al Fakhoora how to manage and overcome challenges, and how to be creative in solving problems.
The Al Fakhoora community is unique. Meeting peers from different universities, different locations of the Gaza Strip, different courses of studies was rewarding for my development. While getting engaged in the activities and different courses, I have learnt from a pool of outstanding students. This helped me in both my academic studies as well as in developing my communication skills and working in teams proactively to serve the community.
Al Fakhoora for me is a multi-skills basket, where my abilities flourished, particularly when it came to English language, computer skills and leadership. All these skills contributed to the development of my personality and capacity to feel more confident when pursuing my professional career. This is a unique journey with beautiful minds.
Al Fakhoora awakened my inner strength of positively impacting the world and serving my community as my first and foremost priority. It encouraged me to reach my fullest potential and enabled me to help future generations to attain theirs, as well. Reminiscing about my time as Fakhoora student, there is a galaxy of words that can be used to highlight the difference it has made in my pursuit of my goals. It motivated me to strive for higher goals, pursue knowledge and stamp irreplaceable marks wherever I go.
My expectations of university life were all about academic studies, which was always discouraging for me. But, as I heard about Al Fakhoora, it was a dream to join. The day I was accepted was a turning point in my life. I found an oasis of knowledge and practices that contributed to the development of my work, social, and leadership skills. I have a distinct advantage being a Fakhoora scholar and I am highly motivated and willing to take a larger role in serving my community.
While university studies were challenging, I had always feared from the day after university. Al Fakhoora relinquished these fears by giving me the market skill sets needed to help me during my internship. I owe Al Fakhoora for giving me the support, encouragement, and motivation to set new professional horizons and build a network of acquaintances within and beyond Al Fakhoora community.
As a young woman, Al Fakhoora enabled me to become an outstanding leader in my community. Al Fakhoora sparked the flame of success in my career at an early stage. I studied hard and was equipped with advanced academic and leadership skills, acquired from Al Fakhoora, to further progress my career with social media platforms. Al Fakhoora motivated me to encourage others to be proactive and challenge their situation.
Throughout my involvement in Al Fakhoura's initiatives, I felt the value of teamwork in accomplishing great things, dividing the tasks and multiplying the success.
As a media student, Al Fakhoora has trained me to speak confidently, use my body language properly and express my thoughts wisely. Now, I am participating in many media related activities and contributing to the creation of valuable youth content.
Al Fakhoora has introduced me to a world full of distinguished personalities. It is very interesting to participate in activities and train with students of engineering, literature and economics. They are gregarious people who I can ask for advice and assistance.
My family was unable to pay my university tuition, and I was almost compelled to abandon the idea of higher education. But, Al Fakoora kindly embraced me to continue my studies and develop my skills.
All that I cared about before joining this programme was high grades and college marks; however, I learned that life skills are as important as studying. Thus, I am working on seizing every golden opportunity I get.
I am very grateful. This programme has pushed me towards passing on knowledge to others and help find innovative solutions to spin the wheel of change.
HASSAN HIJAZI
Business Administration
20 YR

I regard Al Fakhoora as my golden mate that fulfils my passion for learning and positively impacting lives. It provides me with several activities enriching my knowledge and increasing my ability to pursue my sky-high goals.
I feel secured and comfortable when I mention my friends in Al Fakhoora. We have spent great time together sharing information, ideas and special occasions of happiness and joy.
NIDAL AL-KAFARNA
Civil Engineering
23 YR

The programme prepares us daily to meet our dreams and goals with hearts and minds full of knowledge and positive energy.
Being a Fakhoora student is like holding a distinctive passport whenever I apply for trainings and jobs. This is mainly because the programme produces creative leaders and entrepreneurs.
Dalal Aziz
Al Fakhoora is the true definition of family support where there is no fear or embarrassment of asking for help. Today, I ask for help and tomorrow I grant assistance.
I was frustrated and desperate during my Tawjihi exams. My future and my goals were blurry, but look at me now. I studied the specialization I always dreamt off, and with an honours degree.
I used to waste time and lose control of the required tasks, but Al Fakhoora helped me manage my time during the busy days of trainings and lectures, and to never lose touch with my friends and family.
I am able to fit into this sophisticated world with positivity and enthusiasm. Al Fakhoora has planted the seeds of self-confidence and faith in my abilities, and I am gradually harvesting the fruitful outputs.
It is Al Fakhoora programme that motivates me to dream big but work hard. My personality matured and my knowledge, performance and community service developed because of this golden programme.
I have never thought that those scribbles embodying my inner thoughts of the future on the header of my notebook are outlining into a touchable reality because of the incredible support from Al Fakhoora programme.
The four years I spent at the Fakhoora programme were amongst the most important stages affecting my life in terms of education, community service, communication and leadership.
Dealing with a lot of people every day makes it imperative to be confident, good communicator, receptive to others and broad-chested. Gratefully, I have been able to strengthen all of these through the various exercises provided by Al Fakhoora programme.
With the continuous trainings and positive discussions and dialogues, I was able to transcend my own character to be more open, receptive and cultured.
What astonishes me the most is the quality of education that this programme instils. It lightens the road to everything in terms of having a career and an impact on society, where I have no fear to speak my mind, discuss and debate.
I am grateful to the time that brought me closer to this programme where I mastered the true essence of distinction, and have been privileged to acquire the skills of creative and critical thinking.
Had I not been a Fakhoora student, I would have never been able to know that leadership is not about a title or a designation; a leader is the one who influences and inspires people.
I am 23 years old and have matured through Al Fakhoora to become a man with knowledge and experience. The programme has taken me by the hand to participate in events and demo days, enhancing my communication and presentation skills.
Every time I announce that I am a Fakhoora student, I already feel how unique my resume is. I have been awarded the chance of widening my horizon by virtually meeting various people around the world with different backgrounds and cultures.
I am no more afraid or ashamed to speak in English. This programme has granted me the opportunity to develop my language with real-life practice.
It was through community service and the initiatives I carried out with the support of this programme that I have come to appreciate the quality of life. I realize now that giving is the way in which I myself can grow and bloom.
I stand speechless before such a magnificent programme that is responsible for technically and economically empowering me to better match labour market needs.
When I speak, argue or debate, all ears listen and follow my tone. It is not surprising because I am a Fakhoora student who has been taught to be civic-minded, intellectually able and professionally skilled.
This programme has taught me that being blind means that I might have lost sight, but never vision. Through the encouragement of Al Fakhoora family, I participated in many initiatives, events and demo days.
Al Fakhoora has not only built my leading personality, but also surprised me with a series of exercises to strengthen my psychological well-being. They took great care of me in a way that no one had ever done before.
Before joining Al Fakhoora, I was usually caught hidden in my comfort zone. However, Al Fakhoora family became my inspiration. It gave me the support, experience and training I needed to improve my own knowledge and identify myself without fear or hesitation.
My invaluable experience within Al Fakhoora taught me that if I want to go fast, I have to go alone. On the other hand, if I’m willing to go far, it is better to go with others. So, I loved the bunch of friends I have in this great family.
For me, Al Fakhoora has directed my thoughts towards a peculiar tendency to encounter problematic issues rather than avoiding them. Confidence is what makes the difference.
How should I reply and what to say were the questions bothering me when someone addressed me in a conversation. I was worried about the idea that everyone was listening to me, but now I initiate the conversation. I do not miss an opportunity to talk to friends or strangers.
Whenever I had to make a crucial decision in my life, I would run away and abdicate responsibility. This is not the case anymore, because I am currently well-trained to judge and take responsibility for the results of my decisions.
I’m taking the IELTS exam next month without having to worry about enhancing my skills or paying a lot of expenses. Al Fakhoora has already provided me with the necessary English language skills.
Al Fakoora has provoked a sense of challenge within me, and it taught me that failure is never a dead-end street, and the courage to get up and continue is what counts at the end of the day.
I feel privileged to be labelled as a Fakhoora student wherever I go, for this programme has exceeded the financial coverage to provide us with a comprehensive support services contributing to our academic success and well-being.
I have frequently heard how graduates are suffering in populating their CV, and I myself became concerned about it as well. Yet, all my concerns dissipated when I was enrolled at Al Fakhoora programme because it helped me easily develop a rich resume.
QAMAR SBAITA

Education

20 YR

Where do you see yourself in the future? A question I had not thoroughly answered till Al Fakhoora granted me trainings with rich experiences that enlightened the path to my goals. Now I am courageous enough to pursue the light.
I never cared about what was going on outside the walls of my room. However, I have been driven out by the extracurricular activities implemented by Al Fakhoora, and I am grateful to be taught that I will never develop inside my room.
It is crystal clear how this programme has turned my son into a real man, whom I can count on. He is cultured, passionate, ambitious and positive.
When my daughter speaks, my eyes shine with pride and happiness. She has effective dialogue techniques and persuasive because of the training she had at Al Fakhoora.
“Nothing in this life is more rewarding than seeing my son being knowledgeable, active and inspired. He does not miss a chance to enhance his skills and fly high. This is all through the tremendous support of Al Fakhoora.”
Al Fakoora has granted me a friendship bond with the best daughter ever. I enjoy talking to Athar. She has a wise perspective and the opinions she developed through the trainings are often a great refuge when I myself need to make a decision.
The greatest feeling Al Fakhoora has ever given me is pride in my son. He has become so courageous, proactive and trustworthy that I am not worried anymore.
LAILA

Eman
Ahmad’s
Mother

38 YR

“Eman used to be easily deceived, and it reflected her inner peace of mind leaving her locked in her zone. However, Al Fakhoora has pulled her smoothly to the outer world until she is now, of course, a leader.”
Khadija excels in everything she takes part in, and recently her scientific research has won a prize of excellence across all the universities in Gaza. Respects are due to Al Fakhoora and its team.
The moment Haneen became a Fakhoora student, her smiles lit up her face. When she smiles, all my worries disappear. Thanks to Al Fakhoora for being the reason behind our happiness.
I always used to be worried about my son being excessively withdrawn, but thanks to this programme's community services, events and activities, my son turned out to become a sociable individual.
I am glad that such an outstanding programme is available for Palestinian students. I have not seen such an integrated programme that cares for students academically and psychologically in a professional manner. Respects are due to Al Fakhoora and its team.
Mona

Noor Fanoun's Mother

50 YR

“…My daughter has become independent with a strong leading personality. Thanks to Al Fakhoora Scholarship programme as its support is beyond academic life.”
Naem has become an active leader, since he started taking part in every activity, event, training and virtual session implemented by Al Fakhoora.
Diana Al Nabris' Father
52 YR

"Marwan

Al Fakhoora has successfully invested in my daughter’s progress. She now focuses on her personal growth, self-awareness and career development. I cannot be prouder."
Nadia is the eldest of her ten brothers. Al Fakhoora has helped her to take more responsibility as she has become mature and conscious. Now, she is a great role model to her brothers.
I am grateful to everyone who has contributed to making my daughter’s life filled with passion, creativity and motivation. In other words, I am indebted to Al Fakhoora programme.
During the post-graduate employment programme at Al Fakhoora, my son worked at Qatar Charity for four months, where he proved himself as a hard working person. Consequently, his contract was extended for an additional month.
“FATMA
Qamar Taleb’s Mother
60 YR

Al Fakhoora has been a turning point in my daughter’s life. She has become determined to learn new things and adopt it professionally in her career.”
Kefaya is the tenth child among her brothers. Due to our financial situation, none of her brothers studied at university. However, thanks to Al Fakoora programme, Kifaya was able to study nursing and earned a degree of excellence.
As Eman joint Al Fakhoora, the family is more confident about her future, as we see her personalisty positively changing, her marks constantly developing for the better. She has true become the girl that we dreamt to be. I am so much that this has been reflected on her brothers and sisters’ academic performance and personalities.

Samah
Eman Al Khraibi’s Mother
39 YR
It is an honour to get to train such ambitious students whose souls have sparkled with creativity and determination in every subject and community service.
“Al Fakhoora proved itself brilliance in terms of its diverse trainings and programmes. With no doubts, I think it provides a glimpse of hope to many students.”
As a member of the follow up Committee for Al Fakhoora Student Affairs, I highly pay tribute to each and every member who contributed to graduating such capable leaders; who, despite the harsh conditions, are sticking to their goals and ambitions.

DR. RIYAD ALAILA
Professor of Politics in Al Azhar University
Member of Dynamic Futures Technical Committee
65 YR
This program is the most powerful one to be implemented in universities, for it has opened the doors for many students to pursue their education at times they were about to give up.
I hope this programme will keep fostering the quality of education and community involvement in the State of Palestine, because it grants us the ability to fight the war on ignorance and poverty.
Ahmad AlShqaqi

Al Fakoora has paved the way for its students to enter the labour market through career preparation, internships, networking, and opportunities for entrepreneurship and economic empowerment projects.

Ahmad Alshqaqi
Internship Advisor
Maan Development Center
37 YR
Enabling students to bridge the gap between studies and professional life, and equip them with internationally recognized and employable skills, are the noble objectives of Al Fakhoora programme.
I have seen something special shining in Al Fakhoora students’ eyes. They made a difference in translating our passion of teaching into their passion of learning.
I could relate to how this programme defines these students, for I truly touched how it helped them to actualize their potential by overcoming socioeconomic, political and cultural limitations and enabling them to become productive members in the society.
This is the approach our society demands to embrace students and present a new generation of educated, professionally skilled, and inspirational leaders who guide their families and communities towards cohesion and prosperity.
I thank this great programme because its achievements are manifested in these impressive leaders of tomorrow.
MAREE BASHIR
Leadership Development Trainer
34 YR

I am quite sure that this whole programme, with its staff and students, is Palestine’s leading engine of innovation and entrepreneurship. It is more than great how this programme has managed primarily to build community leadership, an asset we are in desperate need of.
I strongly believe that the true investment of all kinds is the one we bring about in our youth. This is what distinguishes this programme from any other.
I have been honoured to be part of Al Fakhoora family, a promising programme that leaving sound results, contributes to invest in the youth of Palestine with a comprehensive well-tailored approach
Putting it in simple words, this programme, along with its students, is more like the productive family I am glad to be part of.
It is a must to give particular credit to Al Fakhoora team who intensified their efforts to enable the students to bridge to the other river bank with profound success. I myself learnt a lot from Al Fakhoora students. They have persistence that is likely to never be burdened with an obstacle.
Mahmoud Al Zant

Leadership development trainer

38 YR

I count on one of these minds to be the key agent of change in Palestine, and yes here we are witnessing them as the owners of a better future.