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- The graduation ceremony took place last Thursday; 2450 students graduated, **1771 BS, 168 MS, 36 Ph.D.**, and **475 MX**, of which **69** were females. In addition, **861** undergraduate students earned high honors and were celebrated at a separate ceremony.
- The first **President's Medal** ceremony took place, in which **4** students were recognized for their achievements, and over 650 attendees came to enjoy the event activities.
- Student affairs conducted the first **Freshman gathering** to remind students of the necessary skills to success and university rules and regulations, 150 students attended.
- The President gave a talk to students on **Career Essentials**. Over 700 students attended the talk and were highly engaged during the talk and through the Q&A session.
- During **HRH Abdulaziz Bin Salman's** campus tour, he had a positive introduction to one of our first exchange students from the University of Houston.
- KBS is in talks with EY and Aramco to launch a **National Business Competition**. Students will compete to solve real projects and problems from EY, and winning participation will lead to employment at EY.
- A **delegation from Texas A&M** visited the university to collaborate on many topics, one of which is sending exchange students to KFUPM for a semester.
- KBS hosted talks with **Mr. Abdulla Jum'ah**, former CEO of Aramco, and **HE Mohammed Al Sellemi**, former Vice Minister of the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Development.
- Mahmoud Desouky, a Ph.D. candidate in the Petroleum Engineering Department, won 1st place in the **2022 ARMA (American Rock Mechanics Association) international student research contest**, which included the participation of researchers from 8 different countries and 14 highly ranked universities.
- Students from the Petroleum Engineering Department won 1st place in the **SPWLA Saudi Chapter Paper Contest** (BSc and Ph.D. Category) held in Saudi Aramco RDD. The winners will participate in the contest that will take place during the 64th SPWLA Annual Symposium in Texas, USA.
- The Department of Mathematics celebrated the **International Day of Mathematics (IDM)** on March 14th.
- The **5K Run for Health** took place on campus, which included the participation of more than 1,500 students, faculty members, university staff, and their families.

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