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We want to hear from you and encourage you to share this newsletter with your faculty and spark conversations with relevant departments for more information.

- Congratulations to over **3,000 students** who walked The Stadium for graduation, including KFUPM's first batch of 14 female PhDs. All graduates represented Class 54 with pride.
- The President joined the **Human Capability Initiative** in Riyadh, titled Future Readiness, as a panelist. The event hosted global speakers from various sectors discussing new concepts to optimize human capability in our rapidly changing world.
- The Physical Education Department collaborated with the Saudi Universities Sports Federation to host the **5KM Run for Health**. More than 1500 KFUPM males competed, including students, faculty, and staff. Top winners in their respective categories received valuable prizes.
- **The physics department and student success center** honored students who got A+ in PHYS101 and/or PHYS102 recently. The event was a successful celebration of the students' academic achievements.
- The **College of Design and Built Environment** conducted a day trip to Al Hasa to explore the region's Islamic architecture. Thirty students, accompanied by a faculty member and a tour guide, visited Ibrahim Fort, Qiasariah Market, and walked through old neighborhoods.
- Students, faculty, and staff enjoyed **KFUPM's Founding Day** celebrations. The occasion celebrated the founding of Saudi Arabia with fun activities, such as a horse parade and competitions for the campus community.
- KFUPM's **Chemical Engineering Department** and global industrial software leader AVEVA signed an agreement to develop and provide virtual reality (VR) training software that offers immersive and interactive learning experiences.
- A team of COE and CHE students placed third at the University of Cambridge's **Global Reach Innovation Hackathon** for their submission, "Optimizing home water desalinization with MPC and LSTM in RO systems." Congratulations to the team.
- Four students from KFUPM's ISE program placed third against 450 teams in the **AHHIL Consultathon**, a three-day elimination-based competition for university students from across the Kingdom. Congratulations to the team; this achievement showcases their capabilities and demonstrates the university's commitment to developing young talent.

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