



جامعة عجمان  
AJMAN UNIVERSITY

# THE 3rd INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON EDUCATION AND MENTAL HEALTH IFEMH 2024

**Inclusive and Equitable Quality Education**

*Organized by the Deanship of Student Services*



February, 28/29

From: 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Forum Theme: Inclusive and Equitable Quality Education

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**Wednesday, February 28, 2024**

Time	Event	Speakers
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Registration	
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Opening Speech	<b>Dr. Karim Seghir</b> Chancellor of Ajman University <b>Dr. Nahla Al Qassimi</b> <i>Dean of Student Services, Office of Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Chair of the IFEMH 2024</i>
10:15 AM - 10:45 AM	Keynote Speaker A Culture of Care: A Holistic Approach to Mental Well-being on University Campus (Virtual)	<b>Prof. Ahmad Dallal</b> President of the American University in Cairo, Egypt
10:45 AM - 11:15 AM	Keynote Speaker Motivation for Women in STEM. Women on the International Engineering Market (On Campus)	<b>Eng. Teresa Bilinska</b> Vice Chair of Association of Polish Engineers in Great Britain
11:15 AM - 11:30 AM	Recognition of Speakers	
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Teaching Experiences, Pedagogy, Practice & Praxis (On Campus) (Oral Presentation)	<b>Prof. Abdulai Abukari</b> <i>Professor, Education Management, Leadership and Policy, Visiting Fellow at the University of Glasgow, British University in Dubai, UAE (On Campus)</i>

**Dr. Emad A. S. Abu-Ayyash**

*Associate Professor of TESOL, Faculty of Education, British University in Dubai, UAE (On Campus)*

**Dr. Lina Almarestani**

*Chair of the Department of Psychology & Associate Professor of Psychology, American University in Dubai, UAE (On Campus)*

**Dr. Ayman Massouti**

*Assistant Professor of Education Studies, College of Arts & Sciences, Abu Dhabi University, UAE (On Campus)*

**Moderator:**

**Dr. Gabriel Andrade**

*Assistant Professor, College of Medicine, Ajman University, UAE*

**Hurairah Muzammil**

*Student, College of Medicine, Ajman University, UAE*

12:30 PM - 1:45 PM

**Nurturing Creativity & Innovation:  
New, Innovative & Radical  
Education (Hybrid)**

(Panel Discussion)

**Dr. Haseena Al Katheeri**

*Associate Director, Office of Academic Services, Zayed University, UAE (On Campus)*

**Dr. Betty Exintaris**

*Senior Lecturer, Monash University, Australia (Virtual)*

**Dr. Nilushi Karunaratne**

*Lecturer, Monash University, Australia (Virtual)*

**Dr. Rukiya Deetjen**

*Learning Disability Specialist, Zayed University, UAE (Virtual)*

**Moderator**

**Prof. Nader Kheir**

*Professor, College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Manager, Student Success Center, Ajman University, UAE*

**Eiman Mohamed**

*Student, College of Medicine, Ajman University, UAE*

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Coffee Break

1:45 PM - 2:15 PM

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2:15 PM - 3:30 PM

Counseling, Guidance & Adjustment in  
Education (Hybrid)

(Oral Presentation)

**Dr. Zeenath Reza Khan**

*Assistant Professor, Faculty of Engineering  
and Information Sciences*

*Program Director - Pathway Programs,  
University of Wollongong Dubai, UAE  
(Virtual)*

**Ms. Rema Menon Vellat**

*Director, Counselling Point Training &  
Development, Sharjah Women's College,  
UAE (On Campus)*

**Moderator:**

**Dr. Nissrin Shaya**

*Assistant Professor, College of Humanities  
and Sciences, Ajman University, UAE*

**Khadiga Yasser**

*Student, College of Medicine, Ajman  
University, UAE*

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Learning Experiences, Student  
Learning & Learner Diversity (Hybrid)

(Oral Presentation)

**Dr. Alexandra Gazis**

*Associate Director for Student Well-Being,  
Student Accessibility Services Unit (SAS),  
Center for Student Well-Being*

*Adjunct Faculty, Department of  
Psychology, American University in Cairo,  
Egypt (Virtual)*

**Dr. Walid Abdallah**

*Assistant Professor of English Language and  
Literature at the Faculty of Arts, Suez  
University, Egypt, and the College of Saint  
Rose in Albany, New York, USA (Virtual)*

**Dr. Natasha Jankowski**

*Lecturer, Master of Higher Education and  
Doctorate of Education Programs, New  
England College, USA (Virtual)*

**Dr. Yousra Osman**

*Lecturer in Education, Campus Program  
Coordinator - Education, Middlesex  
University Dubai, UAE (On Campus)*

**Moderator**

**Dr. Jigna Stott**

*Clinical Assistant Professor, College of  
Medicine, Ajman University, UAE*

**Hajar Teir**

*Student, College of Medicine, Ajman  
University, UAE*

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<b>Time</b>	<b>Workshop</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	<b>Parents &amp; Educators: Partners in the Special Education Process</b>	<b>Prof. Asma Al Arab</b> <i>Professor, College of Humanities and Sciences, Ajman University</i>
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<b>Parents Role in Special Education</b>	<b>Ms. Sahar Zahran</b> <i>Lecturer, College of Humanities and Sciences, Ajman University</i>

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Thursday, February 29, 2024

Time	Event	Speakers
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Registration	
10:00 AM - 10:45 AM	Keynote Speaker Cultivating Cultures of Wellness: The Critical Intersection of Educational Leadership and Well-Being in Schools (On Campus)	Dr. Alexandria Alisa Proff <i>Assistant Professor of Education, Department Chairperson, and Academic Integrity Officer, American university of Ras Al-Khaimah</i>
10:45 AM - 10:50 AM	Keynote Speaker's Certificate	
10:50 AM - 12:30 PM	Education & Difference: Gifted Education, Special Education, Learning Difficulties & Disability (Hybrid) (Oral Presentation)	Prof. Ghanem Al Bustami <i>Professor of Development &amp; Education Psychology, College of Arts &amp; Sciences Abu Dhabi University, UAE (Virtual)</i> Dr. Ahmed Hassan Hemdan Mohamed <i>Associate Professor, Editor in Chief, International Journal for Research in Education, Special Education, United Arab Emirates University, UAE (Virtual)</i> Dr. Mahmoud Gharaibeh <i>Assistant Professor, College of Education, Humanities and Social Sciences, Al Ain University, UAE (On Campus)</i> Dr. Muna AlHammadi <i>Assistant Professor, College of Education, Zayed University, UAE (On Campus)</i> Dr. Saileela Krishnan <i>Assistant Professor, Department of Education, Annamalai University, India (Virtual)</i> Ms. Komal Chandiramani <i>Dyslexia Lecturer and Access Arrangements Assessor, Capel Manor College, UK (Virtual)</i>

**Moderator**

**Dr. Verica Gajic**

*Assistant Professor, College of Engineering and Information Technology, Ajman University, UAE*

**Nour AlQaderi**

*Student, College of Medicine, Ajman University, UAE*

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**12:30 PM - 01:30 PM**

**Mind, Brain & Psychology: Human Emotional & Cognitive Development & Outcomes within Educational Contexts (Hybrid)**

(Oral Presentation)

**Prof. Hanan Al Hmouz**

*Professor in the field of Gifted Education, School of e-Education, Hamdan Bin Mohammed Smart University, UAE (On Campus)*

**Prof. Bashir Abu-Hamour**

*Professor & Chair, College of Education, Zayed University, UAE (On Campus)*

**Dr. Eva Haddad**

*Assistant Professor at the School of Basic Sciences and Humanities.*

*Assistant Dean of Innovation, Technology Transfer and Entrepreneurship, German Jordanian University, Jordan (Virtual)*

**Dr. Mary George Varghese**

*Visiting Assistant Professor of Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences, Abu Dhabi University, UAE (On Campus)*

**Moderator**

**Dr. Zehra Edis**

*Associate Professor, College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Ajman University*

**Doaa Rafeq Al-Alimi**

*Student, College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Ajman University, UAE*

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**Coffee Break**

**1:30 PM - 2:00 PM**

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**2:00 PM - 3:15 PM**

**Fostering Inclusive Education in Practice and Research (Arabic) (Hybrid)**

**Prof. Bushra Alakashee**

*Professor and Head of Education Department, University of Sharjah, UAE (On Campus)*

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(Oral Presentation)

**Dr. Ahmad Alzubi**

*Associate Professor, Ajman University, UAE  
(On Campus)*

**Dr. Hanan Halaseh**

*Assistant Professor, Psychology  
Department, Isra University, Jordan  
(Virtual)*

**Dr. Rasha Abdelrahman**

*Assistant Professor and Head of the  
Psychology Department, Ajman University,  
UAE (On Campus)*

**Moderator**

**Prof. Marei Ahmad**

*Professor of Psychology, Ajman University,  
UAE*

**Muada Babiker Hamed**

*Student, College of Humanities and  
Sciences, Ajman University, UAE*

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3:15 PM - 4:30 PM

**Shaping Research Culture: Inclusive  
Education Role and Influence (Arabic)  
(On Campus)**

(Panel Discussion)

**Prof. Alaa Alrawshdeh**

*Professor, College of Humanities and  
Sciences, Ajman University, UAE (On  
Campus)*

**Dr. Osman Ahmed**

*Associate Professor, College of Humanities  
and Sciences, Ajman University, UAE (On  
Campus)*

**Dr. Saif Musa**

*Associate Professor, College of Humanities  
and Sciences, Ajman University, UAE (On  
Campus)*

**Dr. Salwa AL Majali**

*Director, Applied Psychology and Special  
Education Programs*

*Associate Professor, College of Education,  
Humanities and Social Sciences, Al Ain  
University, UAE (On Campus)*

**Dr. Enaam Youssef**

*Assistant Professor, College of Humanities  
and Sciences, Ajman University, UAE (On  
Campus)*

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**Moderator**

**Dr. Salah Gad**

*Associate Professor, College of Humanities and Sciences, Ajman University, UAE*

**Shahad Taisir Alkubaisi**

*Student, College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Ajman University, UAE*

**4:30 PM - 5:00 PM**

**Closing Remarks & Speakers' Certificates**

**Prof. Nadir Kheir**

*Professor, College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Manager, Student Success Center, Ajman University, UAE*

**Dr. Dalia Bedewy**

*Manager of the Counselling Unit, Associate Professor, Ajman University, UAE*

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<b>Time</b>	<b>Workshop</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
<b>11:00 AM - 12:00 PM</b>	<b>Relationships, Family, and Inclusive Education</b>	<b>Dr. Abderrahim Benlahcene</b> <i>Assistant Professor, College of Humanities and Sciences, Ajman University</i>
<b>2:00 PM - 3:00 PM</b>	<b>Collaborative Teaching: Partnerships for Inclusive Success</b>	<b>Dr. Walaa AlSayed</b> <i>Assistant Professor, College of Humanities and Sciences, Ajman University</i>

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