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IN WHOSE NAME THE UNIVERSITY WAS FOUNDED





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# HAIGAZIAN UNIVERSITY

## Alma Mater



Alma Mater Haigazian,

Thou, the cradle of our dreams,

By the shade of cedar trees,

From the Araradian fields,

We salute thee, Alma Mater,

Our beloved Haigazian.

You gave us truth, you set us free,

Showed the way to eternity.

You taught us all true leadership

Is service of God Almighty.

Faithfully with us you bore

Sorrow, pain and scars of war.

Like the phoenix, you will soar,

Stronger, fairer than before.

We hail thee, O Alma Mater,

Our beloved Haigazian.

You gave us truth, you set us free,

Showed the way to eternity.

You taught us all true leadership

Is service of God Almighty.

Here we stand, and pledge to thee

Our true love and loyalty;

And to all humanity,

Service with integrity.

We thank thee, O Alma Mater,

Our beloved Haigazian.



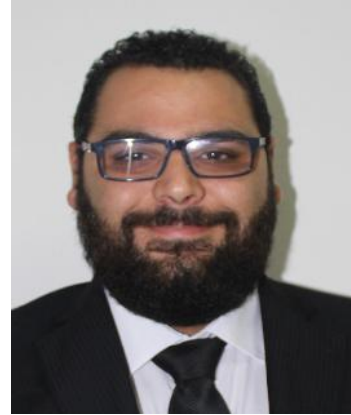




# FOCUS 2019

## Editor's Note

As we close the academic year 2018-2019 at Haigazian University, we reflect on yet another year of remarkable achievements and meaningful progress. Despite the challenges that emerged with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the past year was filled with vibrant events, memorable experiences, and an unwavering sense of community. The resilience and support that the Haigazian family showed each other in these unprecedented times have been a testament to our core values, creating an environment where everyone could continue to thrive, even in adversity.



This spirit of unity is noticeable from the moment you step onto campus. It becomes a part of you, shaping your journey at Haigazian and beyond.

To the graduating Class of 2019, we extend our heartfelt congratulations. As you move into the next chapter of your lives, we encourage you to carry forward the compassion, adaptability, and sense of belonging you experienced here.

My deepest gratitude goes out to the entire Haigazian family for their dedication and collaboration in bringing together the "Focus 2019" edition, capturing the essence of this unforgettable and resilient year.

***Chukri Charbetji***

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'Ch' followed by a long, sweeping horizontal line that ends in a small dot.



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# MESSAGE FROM

## President Haidostian

The pages of this album tell the story of a focused journey—one shaped by perseverance, hope, moments of disappointment and protest, and the steady joy of learning. The year 2019 at Haigazian University unfolded through daily acts of commitment, where students, faculty, and staff pressed on with purpose and patience. In the midst of academic pressures, economic difficulties, and broader societal challenges, our community chose to stay the course.



We grew through service, deepened our cultural engagement, and built friendships that will last a lifetime. Together, we created memories that matter. This volume is more than a record of events—it is a celebration of the values we live by: hard work, fellowship, unity, quiet strength, and the deep sense of meaning that comes from learning and growing together.

***Re. Paul Haidostian, Ph.D., President***

*Paul Haidostian*





# MESSAGE FROM

*The Registrar*

Dear Class of 2019!

This is the tenth and final message that I address to the graduating class of HU, and in all honesty, it is the most difficult one to write.



After 45 years of service to my alma mater, it is overwhelming to write down words of goodbye to you, dear Students, Faculty, and Staff. I do know, however, that in spite of the physical distance, you will always be on my mind, and I will continuously wish you well in your future endeavors.

Congratulations on your graduation! My advice to you is to maintain a passionate attitude towards whatever career you choose to delve in, for, as I have learned over the years, putting your heart into your daily work is what ensures success.

We are and always will be pleased with your achievements which will bring pride to our beloved University.

With love,

*Anahid Fermanian*

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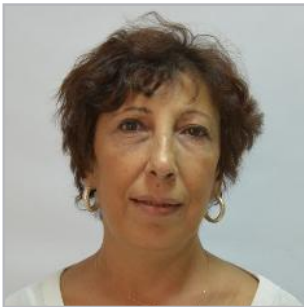
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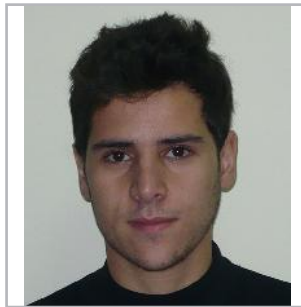
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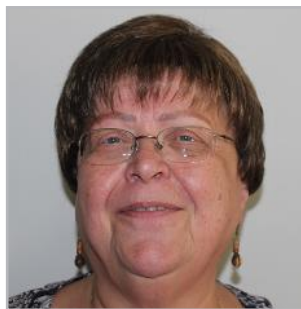
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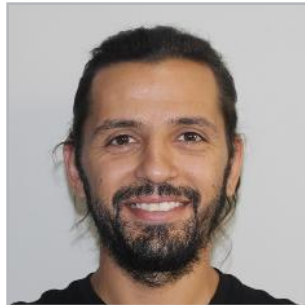
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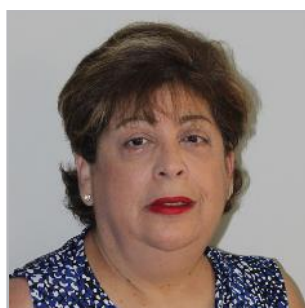
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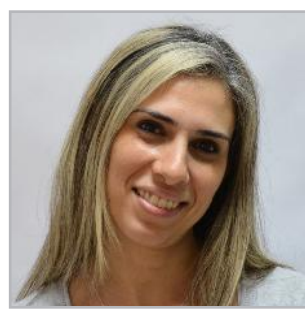
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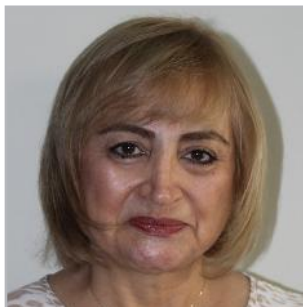
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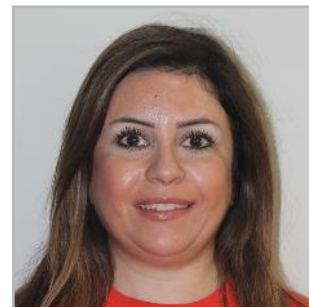
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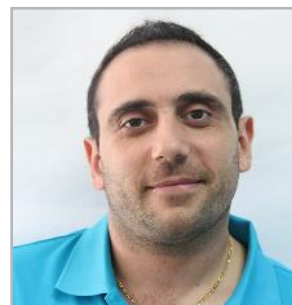
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Kick Boxing



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Men's Futsal



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Men's & Women's Table Tennis



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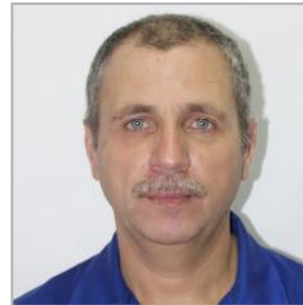
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# **SCHOOL OF**

*Business Administration & Economics*



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## Undergraduate Programs

### Majors:

Business Administration-B.B.A.

Economics-B.A.

Hospitality Management-B.A.

### Emphases: with B.B.A. in Business Administration:

Accounting

Advertising & Communication

Finance

Hospitality Management

Human Resources Management

Legal Studies

Management Information Systems

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## Graduate Programs

Accounting - M.B.A.

Finance - M.B.A.

General Business Administration - M.B.A.

Human Resources Management - M.B.A.

Management - M.B.A.

Marketing - M.B.A.



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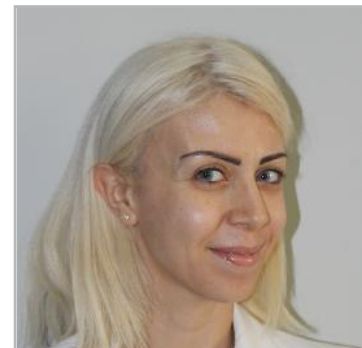
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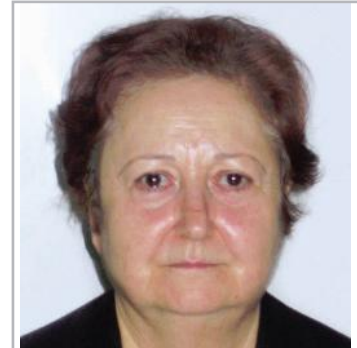
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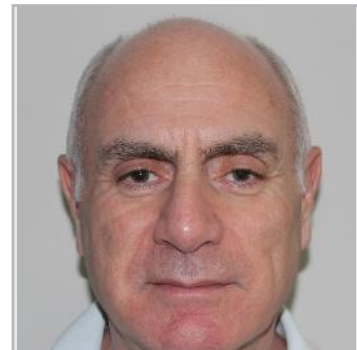
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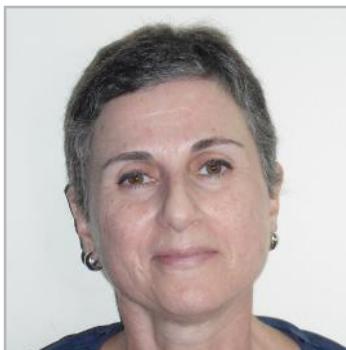
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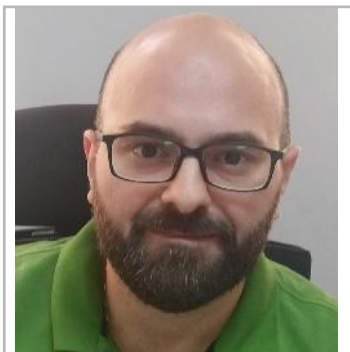
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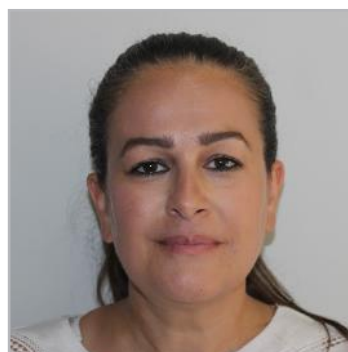
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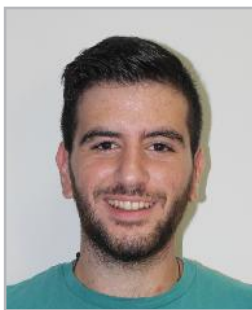
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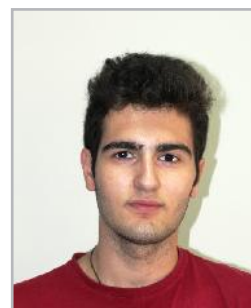
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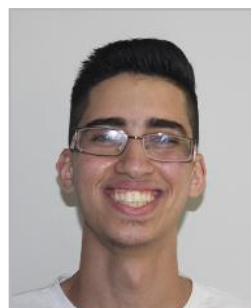
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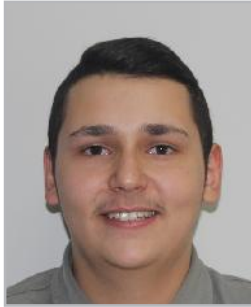
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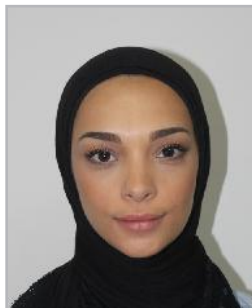
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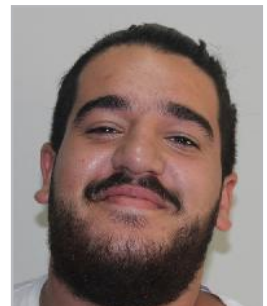
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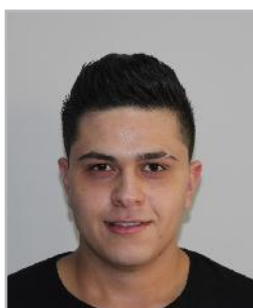
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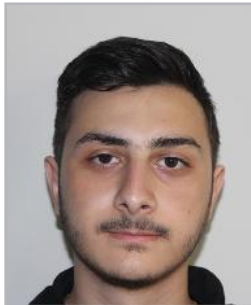


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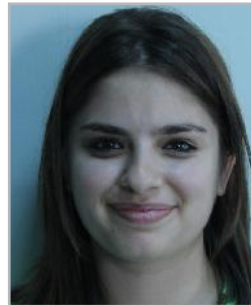
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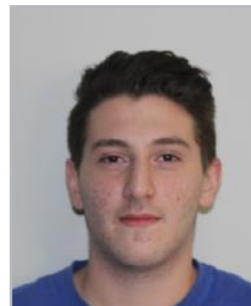
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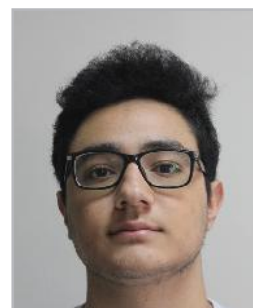
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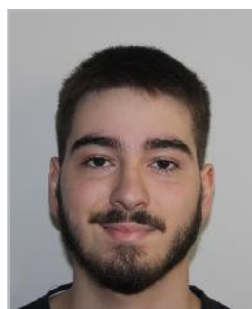
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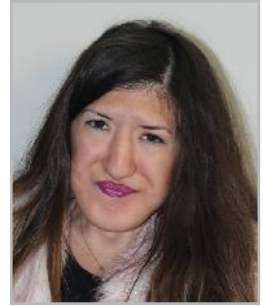
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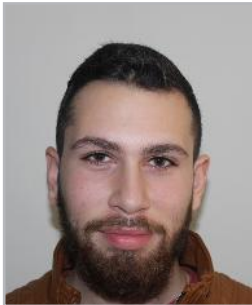
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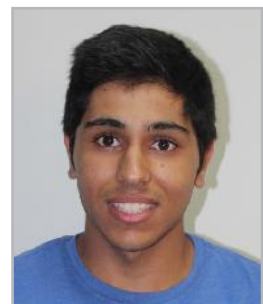
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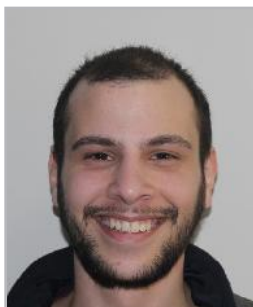
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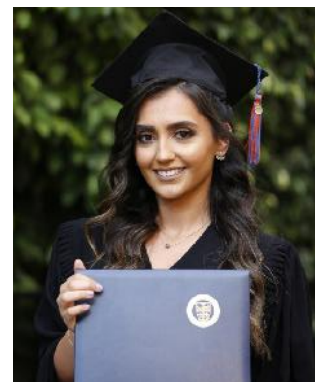
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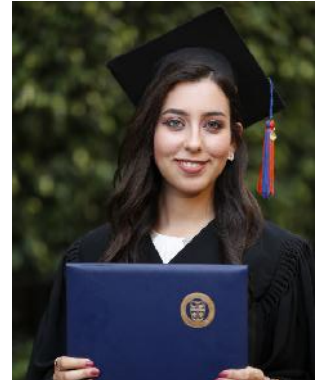




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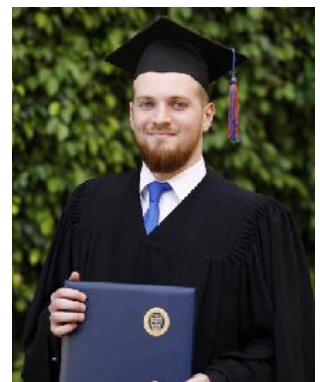
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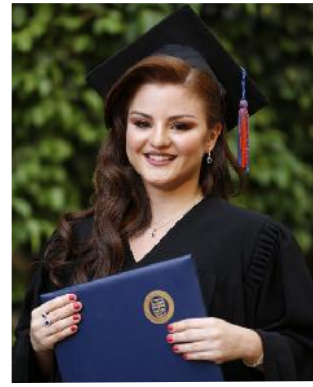
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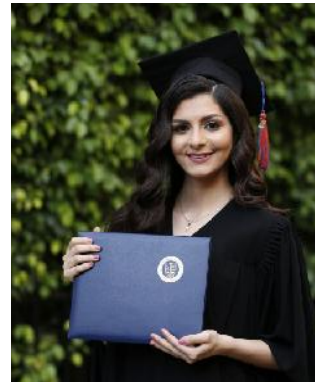
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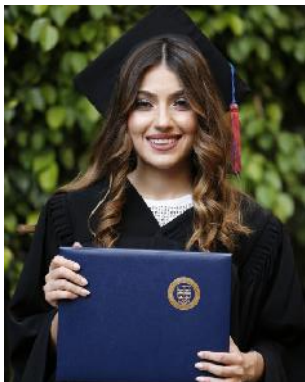
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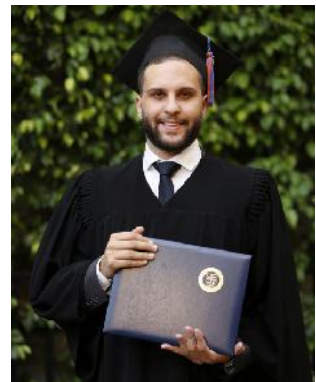
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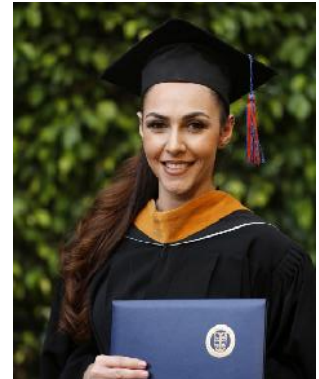
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Dean Ekmekji

May the Graduates of the Class of 2019 stand up! That is the sentence you heard on your Commencement Day and that was the day you have been preparing for since Orientation. Congratulations. You have made it!

You are now at the crossroads of your lives. What the future holds remains a mystery: Work opportunities, travel, marriage, higher studies - but never give up. You have been well trained, you are confident and have vision. You are very fortunate to have been students at Haigazian University. You have been well armed with solid knowledge, instilled with refined values and equipped with viable social skills. But you also have enjoyed the benefits of a Liberal Arts rounded education highlighted by challenges and events.



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This Focus which you hold in your hands is a treasure of memories. In future years, when you look at it you will truly say "These were the best years of my life".

I wish you all the success in your future endeavors and invite you to always remember your Alma Mater which "gave you Truth, set you Free and showed the way to Eternity".

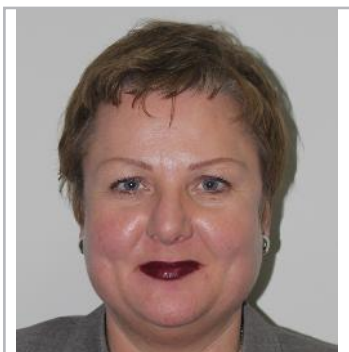
Congratulations and May God bless every mile of your long journey

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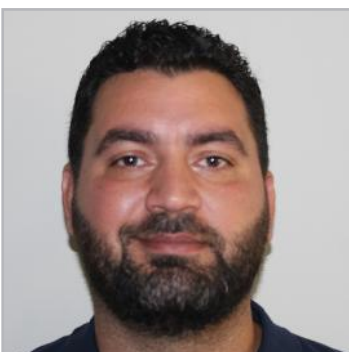
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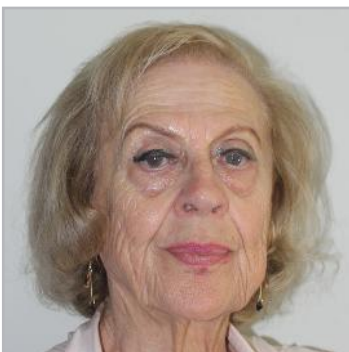
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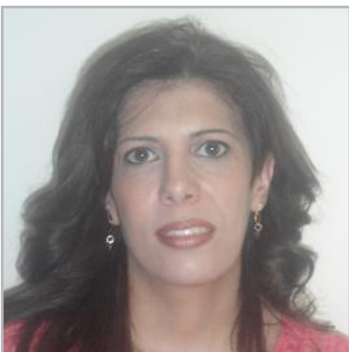
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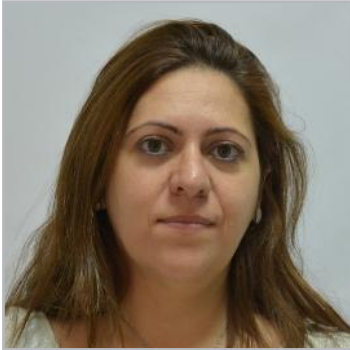
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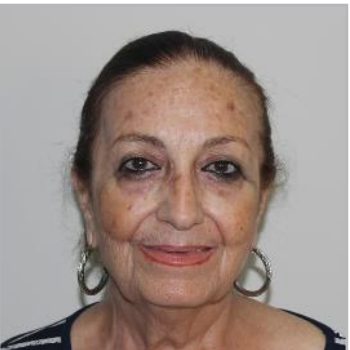
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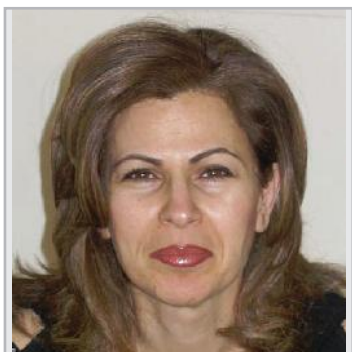
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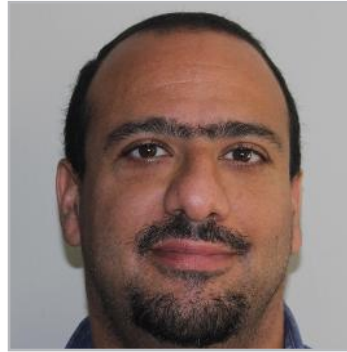
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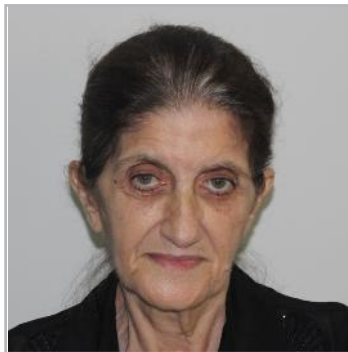
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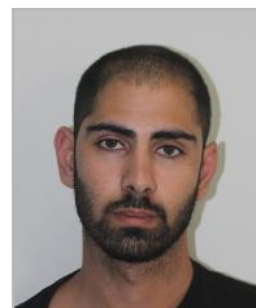
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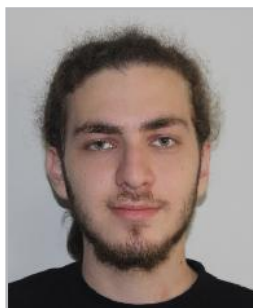
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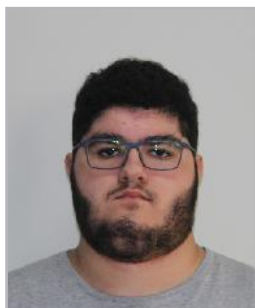
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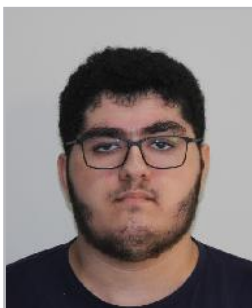
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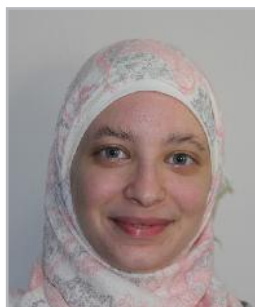
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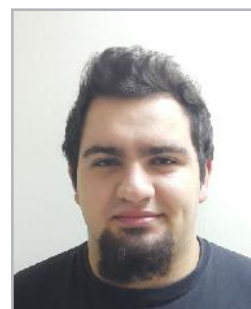
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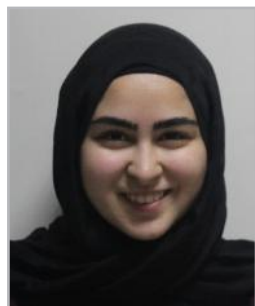
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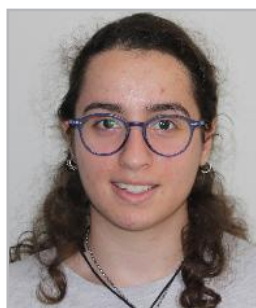
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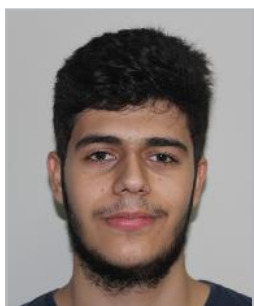
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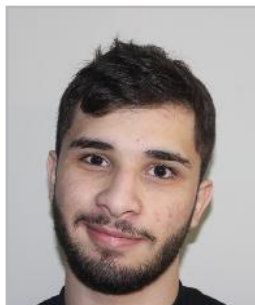
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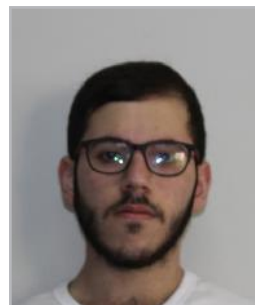
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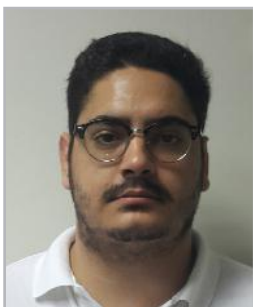
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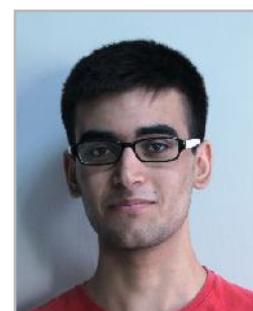
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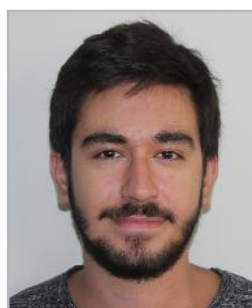
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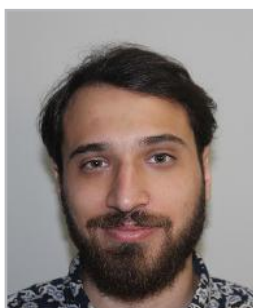
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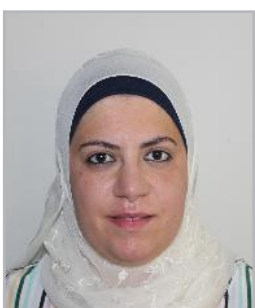
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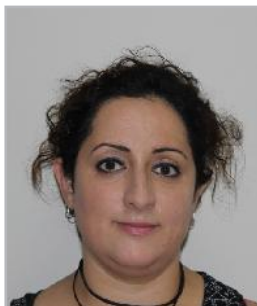


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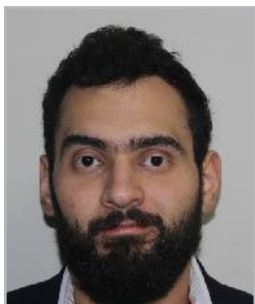
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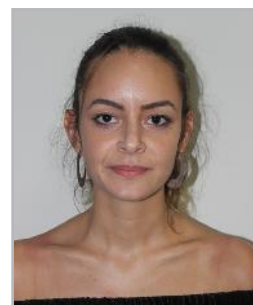
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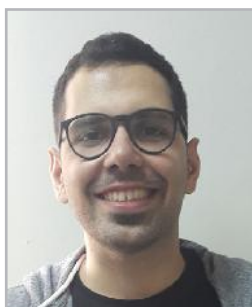
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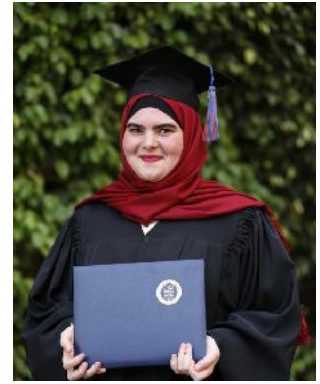




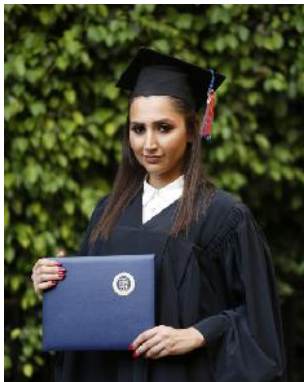
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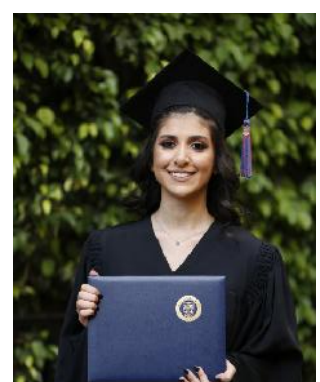
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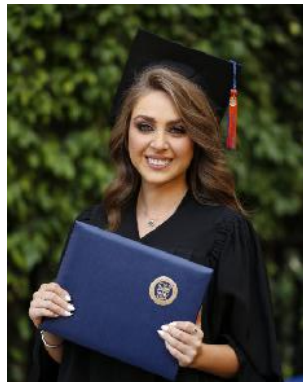
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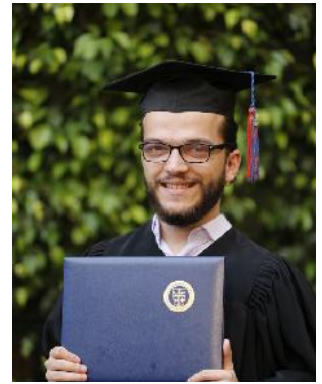




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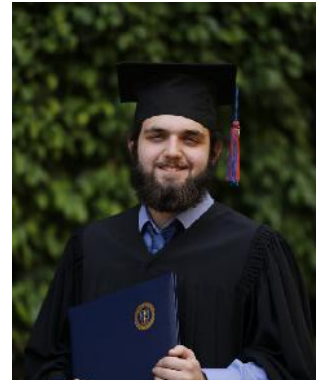
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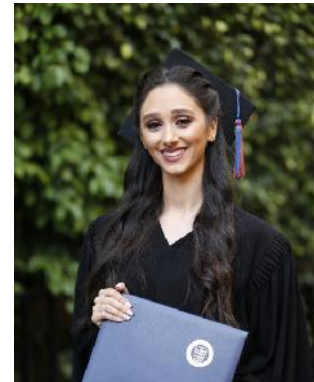
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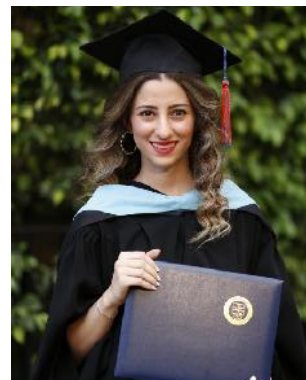
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# GRADUATION EVENTS



# BACCALAUREATE SERVICE



How have you been formed by the university experience? Are you, are we, more fit for life?" said Dr. John Holdsworth, Executive Archdeacon of the Anglican Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, to the graduating class of 2019.

Dr. Holdsworth was the guest speaker at the Baccalaureate Service of Haigazian University, which took place on Sunday, the 19th of May 2019, in the First Armenian Evangelical Church, next to University campus, in the presence of a capacity audience of graduates, along with their families and friends.

In his keynote address entitled "Fitness for Life", Dr. Holdsworth focused on the concept of the "usefulness of University education", namely sharing the ideas of renowned theologian, Cardinal John Henry Newman, in his book titled "The Idea of a University". Holdsworth put particular emphasis on the notion of "formation", which helps personalities and characters develop, and eventually serve communities. In this respect, he said, "formation has two elements: connectedness and humanity. Connectedness leads to real

evidence of learning maturity by being able to see how different insights from different fields of learning relate to each other and to experience." Holdsworth also described the concept of "human-ness" in modern ways as "emotional intelligence", focusing on the notions of self-awareness, self-criticism, the ability to listen, observe, reflect, empathize, respond appropriately to others, and to be able to read situations and people.

President of Haigazian University, Rev. Dr. Paul Haidostian addressed the graduates, emphasizing on the notion of "gratitude".

"Haigazian University was established to create a scholarly community of gratitude, so that our best academic preparation, alongside our community spirit, may lead us to refine the lives of those around us with our professionalism and sincere attitude," said Haidostian. Dividing the human feelings into two main parts, greed versus gratitude, Haidostian invited the fresh graduates to "go and create communities, families, companies, labs, schools, businesses, or neighborhoods

of gratitude wherever you may be, and bring honor to God Almighty, yourself and your alma mater."

Many graduating students brought their participation in this solemn ceremony of dedication and thanksgiving; Assadour Manjrian offered the Call to worship; Stephanie Arslanian, Nairy Masserlian and Mariana Khajadourian read passages from the Old and New Testament. Sara El Haddad reflected on her University years. Nejteh Bodroumian performed an Armenian song "Kezme I Zad". Talented musicians, Vahan Saghdejian and Ohanes Ashekian played instrumental music by Mendelssohn, while Sarkis Yacoubian performed a piece entitled "Palenie".

Students Karnie Kendirjian and Khajag Barsoumian read the pledge of the graduates which states: "We, the class of 2019 of Haigazian University, in receiving this light, pledge to hold high the light of truth, to defend the light of freedom, and to spread the light of service to our communities, our country and our world. With truth, freedom and service illuminating our hearts, we will challenge each other, and our world, to uphold the worth of each human being, and we will strive for the betterment of society, knowing that this is pleasing to God."

At this thanksgiving ceremony, Haigazian University Campus Minister, Rev. Wilbert Van Saane offered the prayer of dedication, while the President of the Union of the Armenian Evangelical Churches in the Near East, Rev. Megrdoch Karagoezian concluded the service by offering his benediction.

Finally, the graduating class of 2019 marched out of the sanctuary, each

carrying the light of truth, freedom and service to the world, and paused for the traditional group photo with President Haidostian.







## 59<sup>TH</sup> COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Haigazian University held its 59th commencement exercises, on Friday, May 24th, 2019, in a beautiful atmosphere of joy, pride and ovation, sometimes mixed with moments of high emotion. 130 bachelor and master degrees were conferred to undergraduates and graduates in the Faculties of Business Administration and Economics, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Humanities and Sciences.

Minister of Tourism Avedis Guidanian was there to represent both the President of the Republic Gen. Michel Aoun and the President of the Council of Ministers Saad Hariri, Member of Parliament Hagop Pakradounian represented the Speaker of the Parliament Nabih Berry. Among the attendees were Minister of Social Affairs, Richard Kouyoumjian representing the Head of the Lebanese Forces Dr. Samir Geagea, Member of Parliament Gen. Jean Talouzian, Prelate of the Armenian Catholic Patriarchy, Bishop George Assadourian, and international businessman and entrepreneur Rouben Vardanyan. The capacity audience also included a host of representatives of the Lebanese Army, Armenian and Lebanese political parties, religious leaders, Armenian and foreign diplomats, members of the Board of Trustees, community leaders, and representatives of educational institutions, parents, relatives and friends.

The auspicious ceremony started on the notes of the traditional Pomp and Circumstance by Sir Edward Elgar, whereby faculty proceeded with the celebratory processional march in their traditional academic regalia of caps, gown and hoods,

followed by graduates. After the Lebanese National Anthem, the prayer of invocation was offered by Campus Minister, Rev. Wilbert Van Saane.

Expressing his pride in the graduating class, University President Paul Haidostian acknowledged the unwavering efforts and dedication of the parents, asking the audience to give them a hearty applause.

In his address, Haidostian thoroughly tackled the notion of "higher education", and all the challenges related thereto. "Higher education is not mainly the status, that is above others, but rather a higher understanding of matters, a higher degree of personal refinement, a higher level of understanding of the world and its underpinnings, a higher ability for adjustment in times of change, a higher appreciation for the weak, a higher admiration for the more experienced, a higher ambition to develop, a higher acceptance of one's own limitations, and a higher respect for the other", Haidostian said.

He went further to explain the feeling of "estrangement" associated with higher education, while the eventual purpose of it is to have the educated "feel at home". In this respect, he invited all graduates to "to continue searching for the heights, while seeking to feel at home with your mind and soul, and with those who surround you."

Haidostian concluded his speech by reiterating the ongoing mission of Haigazian University during the past 64 years in being "the home for the estranged on many levels", asking the graduates to "wherever they go help people feel at home intellectually,

spiritually, and physically".

In her inspiring keynote speech, the Representative of the UNHCR in Lebanon, Ms. Mireille Girard addressed the graduating class by sharing her past experiences and insights within the United Nations. Girard engaged the fresh graduates to examine their options for the future, and encouraged them to make choices that will contribute to the common good and to actively commit themselves to work towards prosperity and exchanges among people and communities - choices that in the long run will not only lead to personal fulfilment, but also positively impact their wider environment and contribute to a more cohesive and peaceful world.

Girard concluded her speech by giving a hearty advice, saying, "today, as you are graduating and starting your voyage through life, you have two paths ahead: One that is to focus on the development of a fulfilling career, working your way up to your highest professional expectations - and this is a perfectly legitimate choice. But the other one is to do so by continuously keeping in mind - in everything that you do and undertake - that sense of common good, upholding the

values that the diverse and rich culture of the Levant has fostered so uniquely. It might be a more challenging path, but it is surely worth it."

The graduates then were called to collect their diplomas from the University President, helped by the deans Fadi Asrawi and Arda Ekmekji.



With a sense of pride and accomplishment, valedictory Ohanes Ashekian and Mohamad Al Atat expressed their deep gratitude to all the parents, University faculty and staff, acknowledging all their efforts and investment in shaping and equipping them to embark on their new phase of life. Speaking to their peers, Ashekian also wanted to thank his fellow graduates, saying "let's thank one





another for creating strong bonds that have played a great role in the gradual process of our growth." He further shared the main values he acquired at Haigazian University, that of "tolerance, respect, kindness and empathy". For his part, Al Atat highly lauded the special approach and bond between faculty and students, as well as he called on his fellow graduates to exemplify the motto of the University "Truth, Freedom and Service", in their future endeavors.

The ceremony concluded by singing the Alma Mater, followed by the benediction offered by the President of the Union of Armenian Evangelical Churches in the Near East, Rev. Mgrdich Karageozian.

With loud cheers graduates threw their caps high into the air, thus joyfully marking the end of a four-year journey and confidently anticipating the commencement of a new beginning.





# VALEDICTORY ADDRESSES



ايها الحضور الكريم

ليس سهلاً ان نقف امام جدران هذه الجامعة العريقة التي حضنتنا كل هذه السنين ، دخلناها طالبين العلم فكانت اكثر من ذلك ...

كانت منزلاً ثانياً لكل فرد منا ، ضحكنا معاً و بكينا معاً حتى اصبحنا عائلة كبيرة تجمعنا الذكريات الطيبة منها والاليمة، فهنا جلسنا وهنا رقصنا وهناك درسنا، نجحنا ورسبنا، تشاركنا القاعات والصفوف، واهم الاخبار واعمق الأسرار .

من المتعارف عليه ان اي حرم جامعي يتمثل بطاقي تعليمي تفصل بينه وبين طلابه مسافة لها شروط واقانيم. اما في جامعتنا فلا وجود لهذه العادات والتقاليد ، فعلاقتنا بالاساتذة لم تكن كتلك التي يتعالى فيها الاستاذ على طلابه ولا كتلك التي يلقي فيها المعلم محاضراته على مسمّع جمع لا يسمع ويذهب ، بل كان المعلم اول صديق لطلابه وكان الاحترام والتقدير اساساً للعلاقة بيننا .

دخلنا شبابا طائشين لا فكرة لنا عن المستقبل، فكانت هايكازيان المنارة التي اوصلتنا إلى برّ الامان الذي يسمى نضوجاً.

لم نتعلم فقط ما جاء في الكتب، بل تعلمنا كيف تكون الحياة وكيف نحيا .

والآن...تغصّ العيون بالدموع ، فهل نفرح اننا على ابواب التخرج، ام نحزن اننا وصلنا الى خط النهاية، فكل فرد منا سيذهب في طريقه ويرسم دربه الخاص .

سنتقل من هم الدرس والاختبارات والعلامات الى هموم اكبر ، وسندمج في العجلة الاقتصادية في وطننا الحبيب لبنان، لذا دعوني اليوم ارجو كل

متخرج ومتخرجة ان يفكروا مرتين قبل ان يضعوا الهجرة خيارا لهم وان لا نجعل دروبنا الخاصة تفرق هذه العائلة الرائعة التي بنيناها، ومن تربي على مبادئ هايكزيان لن ينسى ابداً اصدقاءه و زملاءه. زملائي الخريجون، اوصيكم بوصايا ثلاث ابقوها نصب اعينكم، فأولها احملوا راية الصديق سلاحاً أينما كنتم، وثانيها اجعلوا الحرية شعاركم أينما ذهبتم، وآخرها اخدموا من حولكم كل ما استطعتم. ولا يسعنا في الختام إلا أن نوجه كلمة شكر الى الجامعة التي حضنتنا اعواماً على مقاعدها، والى الهيئة التعليمية و الادارية، خصوصاً هيئة الشؤون الطلابية التي ساعدتنا على تكوين شخصية قوية والتعرف على اصدقاء أوفياء يدومون لمدى الحياة، وبالطبع الى اهالينا الكرام الذين ضحوا و سهروا و تعبوا ليفرحوا بنا اليوم على منبر التخرج.

وشكراً

محمد الأتات





Dear Mr. President, deans, board members, faculty, staff, friends of Haigazian, parents, and fellow graduates. It is my distinct pleasure and true honor to have the opportunity to address you today.

Well, we did it. We all accomplished one of the major milestones of our lives: University graduation. This moment is a major transitional phase in our lives, one that should be recognized for its immense significance. It is an act not only of personal commitment, but also one of pride. We all worked hard to get to this day, and we are about to reap the benefits of all our efforts.

We have all encountered challenges and moments of success at Haigazian. It has been a place of personal growth for each and every one of us.

I personally came to Haigazian from a completely different setting, one that was not very tolerant of diversity and change. However, the moment I set foot at Haigazian, I learned that the world could be a place of acceptance and respect. Haigazian is a multicultural setting that strengthens our values and not just our academic knowledge. In fact, in today's harsh world, we need kindness and empathy and having acquired it at Haigazian we are now examples of the better world we have always sought.

Moreover, it is at Haigazian that we made our best memories, which we will carry with us and it is here that we established unique friendships.

As you occupy those seats today in your caps and gowns, remember that graduation is not an end goal in itself; it is instead the first domino stone that will lead to the rest of your lives. Wherever your future takes you, let it take you somewhere. The accomplishments we achieve during the next phase of our lives should be taken as starting points for further achievements. As representatives of our heritage, our graduation should serve as a launching point, projecting us to wherever our futures are meant to take us. The road that lies ahead won't be easy. There will be obstacles and missed exits. There will be times when each of us will feel like we cannot possibly go on. However, let's not forget we are capable of promoting change. Let's not be discouraged and instead take to heart the words of the poet Rumi, "We carry inside us the wonders we seek outside us." "We carry inside us the wonders we seek outside us."

I would like to thank our parents for letting us dream and allowing us to invest in our capabilities and seek those wonders. I would also thank our professors for taking the time to enlighten us with their knowledge and experiences, not only about academic material, but also about life. Finally, fellow graduates, let's thank one another for creating strong bonds that have played a great role in the gradual process of our growth.

Hold on to your values to grow in confidence and success.

**Ohanes Ashikian**



## CENTER FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION



"We should start now changing our concept of education and adopt the theme that education is a lifelong continuous necessity and process," said Dr. Sabbah Al Haj to the harvest of 2019 of the Center for Continuing Education at Haigazian University.

Chairman and General Manager of Management Plus, one of the leading Human Resources consulting firms in the region, Dr. Al Haj was the keynote speaker at the CCE graduating ceremony, which took place on Saturday, the 21st of September, 2019, in the beautiful garden of the University's Heritage building. Proud parents, faculty, staff and friends were there to celebrate the harvest of 35 graduates, who successfully completed in the fields of Special Education and School Coordinators and Division Heads provided by the Teacher Training program, in addition to the fields of Human Resources, and Project Management offered in the Adult Education program.

The ceremony started with the processional march of the proud graduates, followed by the national anthem, and the welcoming word of Ms. Nathalie Bou Kheir from the office of the CCE.

Campus Minister, Rev. Dr. Wilbert Van Saane offered a prayer of gratitude, emphasizing the importance of knowledge that is paired with love, saying, "in our hearts we carry a prayer that our knowledge may benefit not only us, but many who will call upon us and look to us for guidance and also support."

In his congratulatory address, CCE Director, Mr. Sebouh Gurunlian praised the efforts and commitment of the students, who have worked hard on their self-investment, progress and learning continuity. Gurunlian emphasized the role of the Center in identifying and detecting the changes in the field of Education and the work environment, promising the audience that the CCE will remain "the pioneer, in not only fulfilling the needs for training and continuous learning, but also in exceeding the expectations and becoming the tool for change."

For his part, Keynote Speaker, Dr. Al Haj focused on the concept of the Inevitability of Change and Continuous Education. Giving examples from the industrial revolution to the most recent developments and inventions in the fields of information technology, artificial intelligence and robotic services, Al Haj pointed out to the leading fact of job redundancies and obsolete professions on one hand, and to the creation of new types of specialties coupled with new skills and expertise on the other hand. Speaking from his personal experience, Al Haj who has changed seven professions in his career path, from an agriculturist, to a professor in Business and Economics in various universities, to a banker and a Human Resources consultant and specialist, to name a few, Al Haj concluded his speech by reiterating the fact that "continuous education is the only path to stay up to date!"



With a sense of accomplishment and pride, Graduate Zeina Daroub Abou Faraj expressed her thankfulness to the University, the CCE program, and families. In her word of gratitude, Abou Faraj highlighted the concept of "Continuity in Learning", inviting all her fellow graduates to always hold on to continuous and ongoing learning.

"May you never fail in preparedness, preparing for every day, for every development, and every task", said University President, Rev. Dr. Paul Haidostian to the graduates. Haidostian's message focused on society's views on education, training and schooling change over time. "While decades before, teachers were the leaders and students were the followers, in recent decades, with the emergence of the student-centered teaching systems, teachers' roles have shifted to facilitation, encouragement, and accompaniment", said Haidostian. Speaking about cultural changes in companies and organizations, Haidostian stressed the importance of "preparedness" as a best response to changes, which is exemplified in constant reviews of the way of accomplishing tasks, following developments, training to excel in the market race, and investing in skills, time, funds and training opportunities.



## In-Service Teacher Training Program

The In-Service Teacher Training Program is constantly bringing novelties and making sure to reach schools all over Lebanon. Hundreds of teachers have attended courses and workshops from more than 75 schools in order to upgrade their teaching skills and to benefit from each other's experiences.

Our Diplomas:

Diploma Program for Coordinators & Division Heads

Diploma of Special Education

The Educational Leadership Diploma

Over thirty workshop sessions were offered during the three semesters: some of them were:

When Prevention is Not Enough: Methods for Altering Unproductive Student Behavior

Helping Students Remember: Exercises and Strategies to Strengthen Memory

La Pédagogie Différenciée au Cœur de l'Apprentissage de la Langue Française

Media in the Classroom

وسائل بسيطة لتعليم أسهل



## Adult Education Program

The Adult Education Program concentrated on offering business training. More than hundred working adults have obtained diplomas in areas such as:

Human Resources  
Talent Management

Project Management  
Leadership

The Adult Education Program also offers workshop sessions in various fields:

Communication Skills  
Public Speaking  
Computer and Social Media  
Italian For Beginners  
Arabic For Beginners

Time and Stress Management  
Event Management  
Armenian For Beginners  
French For Beginners



On April 4, 2019, in the NEIGB, Saida, Rev. Dr. Paul Haidostian attended the opening of the 1st National Educational Conference of the 28 Evangelical schools in Lebanon, #NEC2019, with the participation of close to 1200 teachers. The conference and its rich training sessions continued on two days, and a number of faculty, staff and alumni of Haigazian University were involved. The booths at the conference included Haigazian University representatives from the Center for Continuing Education and Student Recruitment Office







## PUBLIC EVENTS

Celebrating the 20th anniversary of the first MA graduate (1999) of the Faculty of Social & Behavioral Sciences (SBS) at Haigazian University.

Many alumni, including the first MA graduate Dr. Rania Abdo, reconnected with fellow graduates and faculty members, cherishing their memories and stories around a beautiful reception at the University's Mugar Garden.



Associate Professor in Public Health Nutrition, and Program Coordinator of Nutrition & Dietary Sciences, Dr. Sima Hamadeh participated at TASK 2019 International Conference in Dubai – UAE. Her paper, titled "Food marketing, Media, Interactive Communication and Consumer Behavior: Smart Food Policies Model in the Digital Age", was awarded as one of the 3 Best Papers out of 57 papers communicated during the conference.





For the second consecutive year, Haigazian University hosted the Inter-Universities Impact Poster Competition: Nutrition trends 2018: "Nutrition trends should not be so "trendy", and event initiated and organized by the Program Coordinator of the Nutrition and Dietetics Sciences Department at Haigazian University, Dr. Sima Hamadeh, and Miss Stephanie Andraos from Auckland University – New Zealand.



The Haigazian University Women's Auxiliary (HUWA) concluded their yearly activities by a day trip to Northern Lebanon.





With the support of some 100 photos dating back to the late 19th – early 20th century, Dr. Joseph Malikian focused on the Krikorians, a renowned family of Armenian photographers in the Middle East. Dr. Malikian divided the history of Armenian photography in the Middle East into two periods: 1850s-1915 and 1915-1960s and considered the Abdullah Brothers as the forefathers of Armenian photography.



Under the patronage of Mrs. Nazek Rafic Hariri, President of the Rafic Hariri Foundation, the "White Rose of Rafic Hariri" was planted in the Mugar Garden of Haigazian University, during a ceremony attended by University President Paul Haidostian, the deans, a number of staff and faculty members and a delegation of students. The Head of Relations of Prime Minister Saad Hariri at the European and French Parliaments, Dr. Rima Tarabay, was there from Paris to represent Mrs. Nazek Hariri.



On the occasion of the first anniversary of the "CEDRE" (Conference for Economic Development and Reform through Enterprises), which took place on April 2018, in Paris, the Economic Advisor to the Lebanese Prime Minister, H.E. Mr. Saad Hariri, Ms. Hazar Caracalla was invited as a guest speaker to brief on the conference, to a capacity audience of students, faculty, staff and Haigazian friends.





Haigazian University glows with the spell of the festive season sweeping through every corner of the campus; courtyards, gardens, classrooms and offices shine resplendent with Christmas villages and sparkling trees, lights, and decorations, thus instilling the real festive feel in students, faculty and staff. All this is due to the unwavering and heartfelt work of the University's facilities team, as well as the talent and goodwill of Student Life.



Beirut, 24 August, 2018, - As the academic year 2018 – 2019 kicks off on August 28th, Haigazian University welcomed its new undergraduate students to take part in a thorough orientation program, designed to introduce them to all aspects of university life—academic, social, and spiritual.





On Thursday, the 6th of September, 2018, Haigazian University inaugurated its newly established Writing Center, located on the 5th floor of its Heritage Building.



On October 5, 2018, the Lebanese Philharmonic Orchestra, under the direction of Maestro Garo Avessian, presented a concert at the St. Joseph Church, in Ashrafieh, featuring guest pianist Karen Hakobyan, from New York. This very unique cultural event was sponsored by Haigazian University.



Haigazian University celebrated its 63rd Founders' Day, officially kicking off the academic year, in the presence of officials, religious leaders, members of the Board of Trustees, staff, faculty, students and Haigazian community. This annual ceremony took place on Monday the 15th of October 2018, having as guest speaker, the President of the Lebanese Red Cross, Dr. Antoine Zoghbi. The celebration focused on the noble value of "service", and witnessed the inauguration of the renovated Stephen Y. Philibosian Student Center.





On November 12, 2018, a group of nine young talented musicians from Armenia "NEW NAMES OF ARMENIA" briefly visited Haigazian University today and presented outdoors a selection of beautiful music, under the direction of the founder of the ensemble, Ms. Silva Mekinyan. The group was sponsored by the Embassy of the Republic of Armenia in Lebanon in collaboration with the Women's Auxiliary Union of Holy Echmiadzin.



On November 14, 2018 a Memorandum of Cooperation was signed between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Artsakh (Nagorno Karabagh), represented by Minister Massis Mayilian, and Haigazian University, represented by its President, Rev. Dr. Paul Haidostian, for the purpose of the professional development of the Republic of Artsakh diplomats through short term and long term internships in Beirut.



On November 21, Haigazian University celebrated the 75th Anniversary of the Lebanese Independence, at an event which brought together a capacity audience of students, faculty, staff and University friends. To mark this special occasion, Governor of Beirut, Judge Ziad Chebib was invited as keynote speaker.





The Faculty of Business Administration & Economics at Haigazian University organized a conference titled "The Impact of the Educational Sector on the Economy", which took place on Friday the 30th of November 2018, in the University's auditorium. The half-day conference aimed at examining the effect of both the quantity and quality of education on the economy in general and on economic development and growth in particular. It brought together experts and scholars from the education and economic sectors, who debated and exchanged ideas on the present and future impacts of the educational sector on the economy.



On Saturday the 26th of January 2019, member of the National Assembly of Turkey – for the Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP), MP Garo Paylan visited Haigazian University, where he had the chance to publicly address the university and wider community.



The Faculty of Arts and Sciences at Haigazian University organized a full day symposium entitled "The Relevance of Intercultural Studies in the 21st Century", which took place on Friday, the 25th of January, 2019, in the University Auditorium. The symposium, which brought together scholars from various Lebanese universities, and a big crowd of students, examined the current and future relevance and importance of Intercultural Studies in the Liberal Arts Educational programs.





On Friday the 1st of March 2019, the newly appointed Armenian Ambassador to Lebanon, H.E. Mr. Vahagn Atabekyan paid his first official visit to Haigazian University. He was accompanied by the Third Secretary of the Embassy, Mr. Davit Alaverdyan.



On the Occasion of International Women's Day, and under the patronage of the Cultural Section of the Armenian Embassy, opened the collective art exhibition entitled "Eight Souls in the Heart of March", on Tuesday, March 5, 2019, at the Matossian Gallery - Haigazian University Art Center.



The Faculty of Business Administration & Economics at Haigazian University, in collaboration with the Azusa-Pacific University - California, organized a symposium titled "The Future of the Accounting Field - Trends and Challenges", which took place on Thursday the 7th of March 2019, in the University's auditorium.





On Tuesday the 2nd of April, 2019, the Mathematical and Computer Sciences Division at Haigazian University organized its Fourth Annual Computer Programming Cup for High School Students, with the participation of 40 secondary students from 17 different Lebanese schools across Lebanon.



Under the High Patronage of the Consul General of Lebanon in Los Angeles, H.E. Mrs. Mirna Khawly, Roupen Avsharian presented his book of two volumes "On the Record: Armenian Deputies in Lebanese Parliaments from 1922 to 2017", published by Haigazian University Press.



On Thursday, the 18th of April 2019, the Haigazian University community commemorated the 104th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, during a solemn event, which took place in the University's Mugar garden.





Haigazian University president, Rev. Dr. Paul Haidostian, paid an eight-day visit (April 22-30) to Argentina. The main mission of the trip was to establish academic and cultural links between Haigazian University and a number of universities, research centers, academicians and Armenian and Lebanese community organizations in the cities of Buenos Aires and Rosario.



On Saturday, June 8th, 2019, Haigazian University inaugurated its newly established "Cook's Lab", located at the rooftop of the Philibossian Student Center, in the presence of donors Carl and Carla Sabounjian, the University's Board members from the USA and Lebanon, in addition to faculty and staff members.



On the occasion of the 100th anniversary of General Aram Sulukjian's birth, the Haigazian University-based Armenian Diaspora Research Center (ADRC) organized a presentation on June 25, 2019, to highlight the great achievement of this military figure, who was the first Armenian general in the Lebanese army.



The auspicious event which took place at the Grand Ballroom of the Four Seasons hotel in Down Town Beirut, on June 6, 2019, was attended by many of the luminaries of the Lebanese and Armenian community, including Minister of Tourism, Avedis Guidanian, religious leaders, the AMAA leadership, Haigazian Board members from the USA, benefactors and supporters, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the University.





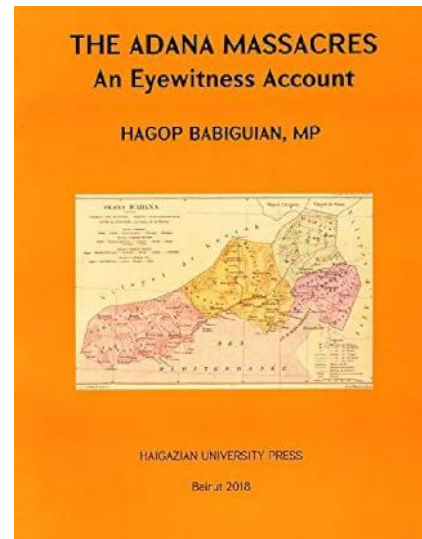


# ARMENOLOGICAL EVENTS

**The Haigazian University Press published three books between October 2017 and October 2018**

**Hagop Babiguan, *The Adana Massacres: An Eyewitness Account*, Translated and annotated by Dr.A.B. Gureghian foreword (and Overview) by Dr.A.B. Gureghian**

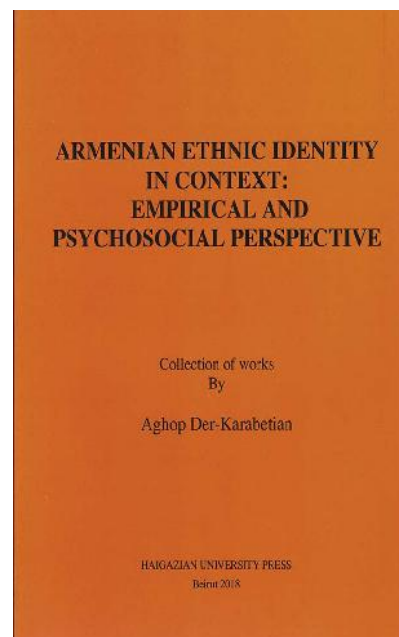
Alongside this first-ever complete translation the book includes a broad introduction and a number of appendixes concerning Babiguan's telegrams to his PM, interviews he had on the ship while returning from his mission. The Appendixes include as well a number of discussions on the Adana Court Martial trials and verdicts, the echoes of the Western Press, surveys and data of victims and financial and the European 301 loss, Turkish Penal Code Human Rights Court resolutions on Turkey's Human In a separate section .11 -2010 Rights record in Dr. A. B. Gureghian discusses and proves the .involvement of the state in the Adana Massacres



**Aghop Der-Karabetian, *Armenian Ethnic Identity in context: Empirical and Psychosocial Perspective*:**

The book is a compilation of several research articles and presentations of Dr. Aghop Der-Karabetian, a forerunner researcher, who with a handful of enthusiasts like him both in Lebanon and the California-Los Angeles area initiated unique and original field studies and research on sociocultural issues related to compound societies and on the relationship between multi-communal .polities, dominant groups, subgroups and the self. The surveys and the respective papers study the formation, reshaping and changes of identity, acculturation, integration, assimilation, survival, genocide trauma, rigidifying ethnic boundaries and ethnic rejection, language learning, culture preservation and heritage awareness, biculturalism and bicultural identity, stereotyping, disengagement from .the ingroup, correlations of livelihood dependencies

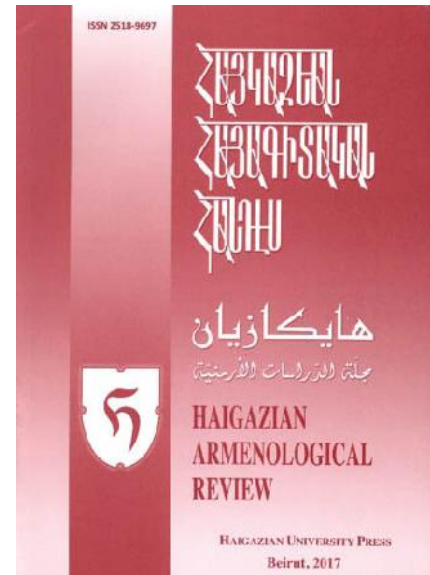
which have become core issues of current academic challenges of Diaspora studies as well as the preoccupation of migrant groups



## The Launching of the 37th Volume of the Haigazian Armenological Review

On Thursday, October 5, 2017, the 37th volume of the Haigazian Armenological Review was launched in Lebanon in the Haigazian University Auditorium in the presence of Rev. Megerditch Karagoezian, Armenian intellectuals, scholars, Armenian Studies students and a host of guests.

Fr. Antranig Granian, the editor-in-chief of the Review had passed away a few days earlier. Father Granian had joined the Haigazian University faculty in 1969. In 1991 he was appointed chief editor of the Review. During the past two and a half decades the Review had gained in experience, further enriched its content, strengthened its quality, and broadened its geographic space.



After an homage to the late editor, Fr. Granian and his involvement in the Review through a power point, the ceremony started with the opening words of the chair of the Armenian Department, Dr. Nanor Karageozian, who had joined the editorial board the previous year. Dr. Karageozian noted that "working together with scholars and experts of diverse fields and disciplines and editing the volume from multiple approaches are necessary tools particularly for the enhancement of Armenian Studies, which further grows through multidisciplinary efforts, perspectives and communications. Dr. Karageozian presented the content of the 724-page volume.

The cultural attaché of the embassy of the Republic of Armenia, Dr. Vladimir Boghossian, took to the podium and drew a panoramic picture of the Armenian studies efforts conducted in different corners of the world. Dr. Boghossian underlined that "as a scientific discipline and a constituent element of state policy, Armenian Studies becomes pivotal in the context of state formation of both the republics of Armenia and Artsakh."

The President of Haigazian University, Rev. Dr. Paul Haidostian, commemorated Father Granian and noted that his presence had "an ennobling, supporting impact on all of us. His presence encouraged us and made us more Armenian, urged us to work harder." Dr. Haidostian noted that the sphere of Armenian Studies is a part of the mission of Haigazian University, because "Armenian Studies is a science and generally speaking, science contributes to the growth of the Armenians. He stressed that universities and contemporary civilizations cannot generate thinking and curriculum as well as knowledge which is in line with current issues without research and research centers. Dr. Haidostian concluded that the Review has become the main address in attracting scholars who publish research papers in Western Armenian.

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## **International Conference on “Armenians of Egypt, Sudan and Ethiopia”**

Unlike the previous conferences, this conference was held in two stages: Cairo (April 12 & 13), in collaboration with the Diocese of the Armenian Apostolic Church of Egypt and Haigazian University (May 29 & 30). During the ten sessions panelists from Egypt, Lebanon, the United States, the United Kingdom, Sweden, Germany, France and the Republic of Armenia, presented a total of 38 papers.

Organized by the Armenian Diaspora Research Center at Haigazian University, this conference was the fifth of a series of annual conferences. All but the first conferences were supported by the Armenian Communities Department of the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation.

On Tuesday, May 29, the official opening took place in the presence of the prelate of Lebanon, Rev. Nishan Bakalian, community leaders from Egypt and Lebanon, Armenian intellectuals, historians, and academicians. The ceremony began with the opening words of Dr. Antranik Dakessian, Director of the ADRC. Rev. Dr. Paul Haidostian's words were followed by the introduction of the guest speaker, Dr. Ruben Adalian (Director of the Armenian National Institute, Washington DC). Dr. Adalian's lecture was titled “By the Nile and the sea, the currents and tides of modernity and the role of the Armenian Diaspora of Northeast Africa”. The seven sessions of the conference were consecutively moderated by Drs. Arda Ekmekji, Nanor Karageozian, Archalouyse Topalian, Armen Urneshlian, Antranik Dakessian, and Shaghig Khudaverdian and Yeghia Tashjian.

An evening lecture was held on Tuesday. Vartkes Nalbandian, a veteran of the Ethiopian Armenian community lectured on “The Ethiopian Armenian community: Its past and present”.

The Haigazian University Armenian Diaspora Research Center has scheduled its next conference on “Armenians of Greece and Cyprus” for May 2019.



## LIBRARY EVENTS

Lipananahay Kirke 2017 event took place on Friday, October 12, 2018, in the Auditorium. The key note speaker was Mr. Aharon Shekherdeman. 21 Armenian authors received awards of appreciation from President Rev. Dr. Paul Haidostian for the books they had published during 2017.



"The Adana Massacres: An Eyewitness Account" by Mr. Hagop Babigian, MP, translated and annotated by Dr. A. B. Gureghian, was presented to a group of booklovers on February 4, 2019 in the Derian Armenological Library. The book was published by Haigazian University Press in 2018.



On Tuesday February 26, 2019, the Lebanese Academic Library Consortium members from AUB, LAU, NDU, UOB, USJ, USEK, BAU and HU held a meeting in Haigazian University. The group concluded its agenda items with a launch in the HU cafeteria.



Founded in 2004 by the American University of Paris, the American International Consortium of Academic Libraries (AMICAL) brings together 29 institutions of higher education located in 22 countries.

As the representative of Haigazian University in AMICAL, Ms. Sonia Sislian participated in the 16th annual AMICAL conference, "Openness in teaching and research: Broadening our horizons for the digital future," that was held at the American University in Cairo (AUC) from March 29 to April 1, 2019. More than 100 attendees actively participated in interactive presentations, workshops and discussions.









# **SPIRITUAL LIFE**

The Spiritual Life group at Haigazian University is a community of students who look for growth in faith and fellowship. Spiritual Life is affiliated with the Student Life Department at Haigazian University. All students are welcome to join spiritual life activities of their choice.

In the academic year 2018-2019 about twenty students were involved in the spiritual life group on a regular basis. Many others joined occasionally. The group was led by the campus minister, Rev Wilbert van Saane.

Weekly chapels were held throughout the fall and spring semesters. Chapel topics included: God in contemporary music; religion online; are we more than our brain; abortion in the light of faith; dealing with disappointment; the Book of Revelation and the end of history. Among the guest speakers were: Mrs Karineh Sahagian Cholakian (on the church); Mr Lukas Rüegger (Switzerland, on neuroscience and on the case for Christ); Drs Sharon and Daniel Buttry (USA, on conflict transformation); and Mr Clynton Beukes (South Africa, on World Vision).



The weekly Bible studies were led by one of the students from the spiritual life group, Mr Tarek Agile. In the fall semester, the studies focused on different aspects of the Lord's Prayer. The studies in the spring semester revolved around spiritual transformation, guided by several biblical characters who had a name change (Simon-Peter; Naomi-Mara; Abram-Abraham).

In addition to these weekly activities, several other events took place throughout the academic year. On March 20, 2019, Professor Katell Berthelot from the Aix-Marseille University lectured on "The Origins of the Bible: Finding the Right Text". This lecture was co-organized by the Action Chrétienne en Orient (France). It introduced students to important questions relating to the manuscripts of the Bible, especially the Dead Sea Scrolls.



On October 6, 2018, the spiritual life group went on a field trip to the south of Lebanon. In the town of Cana visits were paid to the sacred site with rock carvings where the wedding at Cana is remembered; the memorial of the Cana massacres; and the Musa Tiba Museum. The group also visited the Crusaders' Castle of Tebnine and the Tyre waterfront.



During the annual spiritual retreat (February 8-10, 2019) the participants were hosted in the guesthouse of Hamlin Nursing Home in Hammana. The theme of the retreat was "the kingdom of God is like..." The participating students explored the meaning and relevance

of several New Testament parables. Rev Nabil Shehadi led one of the studies. There was, of course, also time for fellowship, creativity, and fun. Later in spring, on March 9, a mini-retreat was held on campus. This afternoon was led by Maggie Le-Roy and was about "finding your vocation".



The annual baccalaureate service took place on May 19, 2019 and was attended by around 80 graduating students and their families. The address was given by the Ven Dr John Holdsworth, Archdeacon of the Anglican Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, and was entitled "Fitness for Life". Following Cardinal John Henry Newman's thoughts on formation, Dr Holdsworth emphasized that academic studies foster both connectedness and humanity. Rev Dr Paul Haidostian, the President of Haigazian University, also addressed the students. The student reflection was given by Sara El Haddad. Several students contributed with music, readings, and in the candle ceremony.

In May-June 2019, eleven Haigazian students, with Rev Van Saane, visited the ecumenical community of Taizé in the Burgundy region in France. In March 2019, these students had volunteered during the ecumenical youth event in Beirut, which was co-organized by the Brothers of Taizé. Taizé is a monastic community that was established during World War II and has a long tradition of hospitality. The Haigazian group stayed for a week at Taizé and participated in the daily prayer meetings, Bible studies, and workshops. The students also took part in the daily routine of work. After the week at Taizé, the students visited some cultural highlights in Paris.









# **STUDENT LIFE & EVENTS**

Ms. Daniella Daou, HU Class of 2018 in Political Science, receiving from PM Saad Hariri the certificate of completion of the Mohamad Chatah Internship Program at the International Affairs Unit at the Presidency of the Council of Ministers. Ms. Daou is the first intern of this newly established internship.



Three of HU students, Tarek Al Agile, Minas Atamian, and David Begliarov participated in a debate discussion "Would technology replace human labor in Hospitality?" organized by Intercontinental Hotel Group Academy, at the Phoenicia Intercontinental Hotel. The debate gave the students the opportunity to engage and build strong connections with each other and most importantly defend their stand related to this topic



Haigazian University students, Nayirie Hagopian and Kevork Yacoubian, who were selected from among various applicants, attended the International Youth Day Seminar on "Political Participation and Decision Making" on August 6. The Seminar was organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights for the Middle East and North Africa (OHCHR-MENA)

The seminar brought together university students from all over Lebanon to raise awareness regarding their rights according to international conventions and standards and how to interact with United Nations human rights mechanisms to their fullest potential.





Around 200 young Lebanese aged between 18 and 30, among them six students representing Haigazian University, gathered on August 8, 2019 at the UN-House ESCWA in Beirut on the occasion of Youth Day to discuss with policymakers how to design economic policies that promote their role as advocates of change and builders of just and peaceful societies.



On August 25, Our students, Narode Kechebachian, Christ Proudian, Sako Yacoubian and Bedig Kassabian, raised the flag of Haigazian University on the top of Mount Ararat!!



The Student Life Committee launching their weekly meeting for facilitating the coordination of events, collaboration of various clubs and address students' concerns.



The Student Life Office launched the RVM point system, where students are able to replace their recycling points with items from the cafeteria.



Points	Items
20	Nescafe/Tea
50	Beverage
60	Morning Bites
60	Healthy Corner
80	Sweets & Crepe
100	Fresh Juice
120	Hot Sandwiches
120	Salad
120	Appetizers
150	Plate Du Jour
160	Pizza
160	Cold Sandwiches
170	Pasta
210	Hot Sandwiches Plate/ Full Plate Du Jour
210	Light Corner

On September 2nd & 3rd, the Student Life Office organized the annual Clubs' Sign-Up days giving the students the chance to enrol in the extra-curricular activities to build up their character and enhance their skills.





On September 22, the X-treme team organized a hiking trip to Darb El Mseilha Trail located in Batroun.



On October 2nd, The Haigazian University "Armenian Archeology" class visit to the AUB museum today



On October 4, the Social Activities Clubs organized a welcome event for students with a western/cowboy style under the title of "Rodeo" event.





On October 8 & 9, the X-treme team organized their annual survival camp



On October 18, The Heritage Club members organized their annual Armo's & Co. event. Armenian dance, song and food were the dominants of Haigazian campus on that cultural day.





October 19 & 20, the Social Activities Club organized an overnight at West Bekaa Country Club.





On November 1st, the Desert Streams Club in collaboration with Donner Sang Compter organized a blood donation event.



On November 6, the Desert Streams Club oorganized a fundraising event for the Pure Heart Foundation.





Haigazian University participated in several areas in Beirut Marathon 2018!!!

The Music Club and Hope4helpers participated in the cheering station. Our students ran the Fun Run 8KM for CHAMPS Fund. Some of the faculty ran the 21 KM.

We are proud of Rayan Bellaly who ran 42KM and ranked 10th among her age group. Our photography Club members as photographers in the marathon.





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This student-led event was namely organized by the Heritage, UNESCO and Art Clubs. It included Lebanese food served on campus, Lebanese traditional dance performances (Dabke), in addition to national and patriotic songs and melodies.

The event concluded with the opening of an art exhibit in the Mugar building, featuring 30 paintings embodying the meaning and the message of the independence, with the participation of high school students from 13 different Lebanese schools





On November 27, our student Jad Kheir was crowned champion in both Lebanese Cup Kickboxing tournaments (kick light and Semi-Contact).



On November 27, the UNESCO Club brought excitement and joy to the campus by organizing the Mexican Cultural Day. The guest speaker of the events was Mr. Hector Alcantara – Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Mexico in Lebanon (First Secretary).





During December, the campus was filled with Christmas spirit and decoration.



During December, the X-treme team members were selling "Hiking for Change" bracelets in different shopping centers across Lebanon supporting their campaign to raise awareness about the importance of the inclusion of children with disabilities in the society.



On December 1, our HU's Table Tennis members participated in the annual LAU tournament. Mireille Boyadjian got the 1st place in the women's Category.





On December 6, the Social Activities club members spread the christmas spirit in their own way.



On December 19, Haigazian University and AlBaraka Bank s.a.l. signed an agreement of cooperation in preparation to hold 10 workshops extending from January to April of 2019.



On December 22, the Social Activities club members organized a christmas dinner party.





During the 2019 Spring Semester, the Student Life Office organized 10 workshops are designed for Haigazian Students and Al Baraka bank employees for professional development.





On January 14, the Social Activities Club members organized a Valentine's event.



On January 28, the Social Activities Club members organized a Castana & Shahlab event to welcome the Spring 2020 semester and spread warmth among the students.





On February 2, the X-treme team organized a snow hike to Arz El Barouk reserve.





On February 18, the X-treme team attended the opening of Agonist Coffee shop as part of their awareness campaign "Hiking for Change".



On February 25, the Awareness Club invited Mr. Charbel Nahas to lecture about "University Students Between Hopes and Obstacles".





On February 27, the Red Cross youth department was present on campus to recruit new passionate volunteers for humanitarian work.



On February 28, the X-treme team members visited SESOBEL to learn more about what they do and spent a day with the children





On March 10, the X-treme Team organized a hike to train its members for their upcoming trekking event.



On March 11, the Social Activities Club organized an event "Yeslamli Hal De7ke" to spread smiles around the campus.



On March 12, the UNESCO Club organized a Japanese Cultural Day event.





On March 18, Mr. Elias Tawk (Spokeperson- Sesobel), Mr. Joe Rahhal (Lebanese Ministerial Advisor- Foreign and Immigrant Ministry) and Mr. Wassim El Hage (Founder of Agonist Coffee Shop) were invited to the "Inspirational Talks" event organized by the X-treme Team as part of their awareness campaign "Hiking for Change".



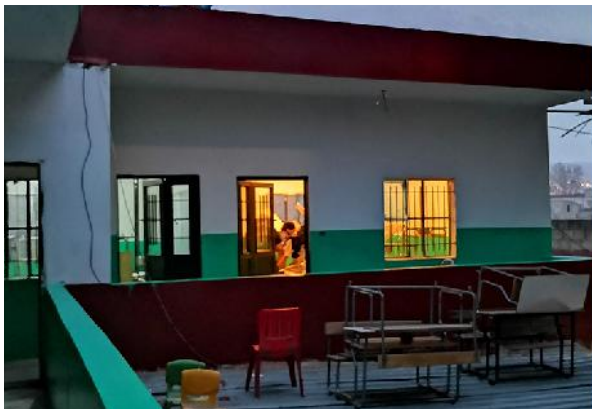


Around 40 Haigazian University students dedicated a full weekend in the month of March, renovating a school in the Bekaa region, as part of their "Operation Renovation" project, an annual project initiated and organized by the Desert Streams Club.

Many student volunteers joined the Desert Streams, the humanitarian club at the university, pooling all their efforts towards renovating 15 classrooms and the outer walls of the AL- Mahaba School in Saadnayel, Bekaa.

On the site, students engaged in resolving different problems that the school was undergoing, such as humidity and broken walls. The workshop resulted in colorful paints covering the darkened walls, thus making the classrooms radiate with cheerful colors.

"Operation Renovation" was realized through the support of the following sponsors: "Al Makhazen – COOP", Tinol Paints, and Wassef Sinno & Sons Trading Co.









On March 25, a group of 54 students visited Baalbeck Castle. Our students had the chance to know more about one of the world's greatest historical Roman sites.



On March 29, our badminton team got the third place in the 7th USC badminton tournament!

We are proud of our team.



On April 6, the Dance & Music Club members hard work during the year was transformed into the yearly performance "FUSION"







On April 11., after dedication and hard work, the Herald team released their Spring 2019 Magazine



On April 15, completing the "Pads for prisoners" campaign, four Haigazian students representing the Women's Movement Club at HU visited the Baabda women's prison and donated the collected Pads.



On April 15, our women's Table Tennis team won the USC League.

Congratulations Mireille Boyadjian and Anna Markarian.



On April 17 till 25, the Haigazian University X-treme Team accomplished their outstanding campaign "Hiking For Change", during which they hiked some 92,000 steps (70 km) in the mountains of Armenia to raise funds for children with disabilities at Sesobel, Lebanon.









On April 18, the Haigazian University community commemorated the 104th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, during a solemn event, which took place in the University's Mugar garden





On May 2, the Art Club had the annual Art Exhibition. This exhibition was sponsored by Bank of Beirut.



On May 3, the Student Life Office organized its annual Awards Day event. In this event, active students are rewarded for their efforts and commitment in the department as well clubs and societies are recognized for their hard work.









On May 21, the President's Office invited a selected group of students from the class of 2019, along with their families to a reception in appreciation of their outstanding efforts which made a difference to the life of the university community. The students are Yara Badran, Ninar Elkak, Lea Muyesser Oghlu and Harout Tchilinguirian.



On June 8 till 16, a delegation of eight students from the Heritage Club had an inspiring week in the Republic of Artsakh. The project aimed at providing the Artsakh State University with 1000 books, thus building a mutual cooperation and cultural exchange between the two universities.

During their stay, the delegation visited several historic sites and museums, and had the chance to meet with the Artsakh ministers of Foreign Affairs, Education-Science and Sports, as well as Culture-Youth Affairs and Tourism.









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