# **AGFE March Spotlight**

## Abdulla Al Ghurair Hub for Digital Teaching and Learning

"This Digital Teaching and Learning collaboration between AUB and the Abdulla Al Ghurair Foundation for Education is a thoughtful, innovative approach to modernizing a more inclusive and more relevant higher education. AUB is deeply proud and invested in this wonderful work."

- Dr. Fadlo R. Khuri, President of the American University of Beirut (AUB)



#### What is the Hub?

The Abdulla Al Ghurair Hub for Digital Teaching and Learning (the Hub), which AGFE established in partnership with the American University of Beirut, aims to advance world-class online STEM education. The partnership is rooted in shared values and goals to improve the quality of online university offerings in the Arab region.

The Hub, housed at the Maroun Semaan Faculty of Engineering and Architecture (MSFEA), has ambitious plans to expand inclusive access to high-quality education for thousands of Arab youth over the next five years and beyond.

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## What are the objectives?

- Create and deliver online university certificates, diplomas, and degrees
- Provide industry-relevant, lifelong learning opportunities
- Capacity-building for regional academic institutions in online education
- Use innovative learning technologies to meet emerging labor markets needs

## What are the key success metrics?

- Development and delivery 143 online courses and 50 digitally enhanced on-campus courses
- 15 online master's programs, diplomas, and certificates within the first three years of operation
- Enrollment of 450 underserved Arab students
- 50%+ employment rate of alumni

### What are the milestones?

One year after its inception, the Hub has achieved significant milestones in making STEM education more accessible to more youth. It launched and offered:



85 new students



2 programs

-Graduate Diploma in Building Energy Systems

-Master's Degree in Engineering Management





27 online courses







Watch this <u>video</u> to learn more about the Hub.

"Earning this degree will be the cornerstone of my career and a pivotal moment in my transition from field to business operations. The program has significantly increased the depth and breadth of my skill set."

- Antonios El Haddad, Master of Engineering Management Student







