

Welcome address

By

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To

Effat New & returning
Students, Faculty and Staff
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بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم والصلاة والسلام على اشرف الأنبياء والمرسلين سيدنا محمد
وعلى آله وصحبه أجمعين....
السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته....

Provost, Deans, Chairs of Department

**Respected Faculty, Staff and more importantly, our
new and returning students.**

Good morning and welcome to the 2021-2022 academic year! And welcome to this exciting next chapter of your life. Whether you are new, returning or transferring from another institution, the 2021-22 year offers a world of opportunity for all Effat Ambassadors. I hope you share my excitement in meeting physical alhamdulillah after a long of time!!!! I hope you missed us as much as we do....

Effat is a special place to live, learn and pursue your dreams. We are a family of learners and scholars that is part of a national and global families, including students and faculty from different countries around the world. As An Effat ambassador, you join a legacy of scholars: people who have come here to learn, to discover, to serve, and to make a positive difference. Effat's world-class faculty and staff work very hard to support you throughout your time in Effat and beyond. The student experience at Effat University is like no other. Here you will have opportunities to learn from and with some of the world's leading scholars and researchers. Your learning will be active and engaging, both inside and outside the

classroom which will give you opportunities to grow as an individual, as a scholar, and as a global citizen. You also will have a chance to study abroad for one semester. To support you in your scholarly journey, we have created a platforms of different learning resources and services to ensure that you – and all Effat students – can be successful. It is what we expect, and what we celebrate.

Over the last three months, all members of Effat family have been mobilizing resources across all areas of campus in support of you and our entire community of learners and scholars. In so doing, we have worked together to guarantee the safe physical and intellectual well-being for all. Indeed, the COVID-19 vaccination, indoor masking,

and social distancing requirements to begin fall semester were put in place to help ensure safe and health common goals – so we can be in person, together, this fall. As such, we hope that those requirements are welcome and enabling steps Insha’Allah for all of us. I and I am sure you also believe that this is the very best defense against the virus, and the best path to safe fall experience we all hope to have. So, thank you for protecting yourself as well as your classmates, and all members of Effat family.

This year will bring us different excitements in addition to the physical on cite classes. This year actually marks the 5th year of our fourth strategic plan which means we are on a mission to design our fifth strategic plan 2022-2027.

We will ask you to participate in drafting and crafting our future growth. The second major excitement is the college of business will go through its review process from the international accrediting agency AACSB. The third major excitement is that Effat University will go through the first step which is the eligibility stage of NECHE. So you will be required to participate so please support your university.

I encourage each one of you to take advantage of the many health and academic support resources available to you. And take time to enjoy this beautiful campus and its many resources and educational opportunities. Be an active member of student government or student Shura by

engaging in clubs and other activities with your fellow Effaties. Finally, remember to be extra kind to yourself and others this year. You belong here and your success, as well as your safety, are our priority.

I look forward to seeing you. Please Stay Safe and Healthy! Again, welcome to Effat University. Best wishes as you begin your studies physically insha Allah all the way this fall.

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