

PRESS RELEASE

## Hamad bin Khalifa University Now Accepting Applications For The Promising Students Program

Doha, December 21, 2013 – as part of its drive to provide Qatari students with the best higher education opportunities possible, Hamad bin Khalifa University (HBKU), a member of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science, and Community Development (QF), launches its new edition of the Promising Students Program.

Geared at Grade 10 students who attend Qatar's independent schools, the program aims to encourage the enrollment of the brightest young Qatari school students at universities within Education City. The program, which runs over the three-year high school period, provides participants with English language and testing preparation courses, as well as university counseling sessions.

"We support hundreds of very bright and talented students from independent schools every year to build their capabilities to fit the university requirements" says Aisha Al Meer, Recruitment and Outreach Coordinator at HBKU. "We strongly encourage high achieving students to apply to the program as we will provide lots of support for them in preparing for admission to our various partner universities."

HBKU is now accepting applications for the program. Eligible participants must be Qatari students of independent schools across the country with a class average of 80% and above, seeking admission to one of HBKU's partner universities. Interested students need to fill in an application form that they can then submit to their school counselor or to the HBKU Student Services department no later than Dec 30<sup>th</sup>. The application alone does not guarantee acceptance to the program, as student selection is based on the school average and an interview.

All Qatari students of independent schools who meet the application criteria can apply for the Promising Students Program. More information can be obtained by contacting outreach@qf.org.qa or 55234741



## ABOUT Hamad bin Khalifa University (HBKU):

Hamad bin Khalifa University (HBKU), a member of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development, is an emerging research university building upon unique collaborations with local and international partners. Located in Education City, HBKU seeks to provide unparalleled opportunities for scholarship, teaching, discovery, and learning for all of its faculty and students through an array of interdisciplinary graduate programs.

HBKU's partners are Virginia Commonwealth University in Qatar, Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar, Texas A&M University at Qatar, Carnegie Mellon University in Qatar, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Qatar, Northwestern University in Qatar, HEC Paris in Qatar, and University College London Qatar.