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Top WCMC-Q students selected for Dean's Honor List

Doha – February 23, 2014: Thirty Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar (WCMC-Q) students are celebrating after being named on the Dean's Honor List at a ceremony held at Hamad Bin Khalifa University's Student Center.

First and second-year pre-medical students who posted GPA scores of 3.75 or higher in the Fall 2013 term qualified for inclusion on the list, which is announced annually to formally acknowledge the achievement of academic excellence.

The students who made the grade for the 2014 Dean's Honor List are Aya Youssef, Ramez Rawhani, Said Alnajjar, Farah Bshesh, Suresh Menik Arachchige, George Sadek, Tarek Taha, Yahya Othman, Irfan Helmy, Nada Darwish, Tina Bharani, Merna Hussien, Syeda Razia Haider, Aulia Ahmad, Sahar Abida Mahadik, Mohammed Salama Chaker, Mountasir El-Tohami, Ahmad Salah Sami, Farah Al-Sayyed, Safa Mahgoub, Nahel Tunio, Youmna Abdelghany, Fatima Al-Maadid, Faryal Malick, Nora AlFakhri, Basem Oraby, Imen Becetti, Adham Musthak, Mu Ji Hwang and Hawra Al Lawati.

Dr. Javaid Sheikh, Dean of WCMC-Q, presented each of the high-achieving students with an award at the ceremony as Dr. Dietrich Busselberg, Assistant Dean for Student Affairs and Professor of Physiology and Biophysics, called them to the stage.

Congratulating the students on their achievements, Dr. Sheikh said: "Every one of you named on this list has the right to feel very proud of what you have achieved.

"The level of commitment and dedication you have shown to your studies is truly impressive. I want to thank and congratulate each one of you for your efforts, and I extend those sentiments

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to our talented faculty members who have helped each of you to fulfill your academic potential.

“In a very short time, our medical school has reached a standard that allows us to compete with the very best medical schools in the U.S., in terms of quality of teaching, academic achievement and the residency programs for which our graduates are selected. This success is the result of the hard work of students like yourselves and your predecessors and the wonderful faculty that we have.”

The event also featured a speech by Dr. Jehan Al Rayahi, a graduate of WCMC-Q’s inaugural class of 2008.

Dr. Al Rayahi, who completed her residency training in radiology at Hamad Medical Corporation in 2012, told the students: “It gives me great pleasure to extend my sincere congratulations to all of you for this wonderful achievement. I also congratulate your parents for supporting you, and I urge you to keep working hard towards your goals. There is a lot of hard work ahead, but you have shown that with dedication and perseverance you can achieve great things.”

Two Qatari students, Fatima Al-Maadid and Ramez Rawhani, made it onto this year’s Dean’s Honor List.

Ramez said: “It feels really good to have made it because I aimed to get onto the Dean’s list but I didn’t know if I would get the results I needed. I just worked as hard as I could and I’m so pleased that it worked out.”

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Photos Captions:

Photo 1: Dr. Jehan Al Rayahi

Photo 2: Faculty and students during the event

Photo 3: Group photo

About Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar

Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar is a partnership between Cornell University and Qatar Foundation. It offers pre-medical and medical courses leading to the Cornell University M.D. degree with teaching by Cornell and Weill Cornell faculty and by physicians at Hamad Medical Corporation (HMC) and Aspetar Orthopedic and Sports Medicine Hospital who hold Weill Cornell appointments.

Through its biomedical research program, WCMC-Q is building a sustainable research community in Qatar while advancing basic science and clinical research. Through its medical college, WCMC-Q seeks to provide the finest education possible for medical students, to improve health care both now and for future generations, and to provide high quality health care to the Qatari population.

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