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QF's Academic Bridge Program Hosts International College Fair

Qatar Foundation's Academic Bridge Program (ABP) recently hosted an international college fair for its students. Representatives from approximately 30 universities in Qatar, the US, Britain and Germany participated in the 2014 ABP College Fair. This was a golden opportunity for the ABP students learn more about the admissions requirements for entry into world class universities.

"College fairs provide students with the opportunity to have discussions with multiple university representatives and gain insight related to program requirements, admissions details, and campus life all in one setting," said the ABP's College Counselor, Dr. Marcie Linsey.

The universities that attended the fair included: College of the North Atlantic-Qatar, Creighton University, DePaul University, Indiana University, Jacobs University Bremen in Germany, Kent State University, Marquette University, McNeese State University, Middle Tennessee State University, Qatar University, Rochester Institute of Technology- Dubai, Savannah College of Art & Design, Shoreline Community College, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, St. John's University, Stenden University Qatar, University Indianapolis, University of Calgary Qatar, University of Cincinnati, University of Colorado Boulder, University of Michigan-Flint, University of Southern California, University of Southern Florida, University of Toledo, University of West of England-Bristol, Western Kentucky University, Western Michigan University, and Widener University.

The ABP – the premier English language university foundation program in Qatar - has served over 2500 young men and women since its foundation in 2001. Nearly 90% of those attending have been Qataris, and over 85% of the ABP graduates have later attended English language universities in Qatar or abroad.







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For the past 13 years, the ABP has not only developed the academic curriculum, but has also built on its student activities, through the promotion of leadership, social, recreational and sporting events. In that time, ABP developed a Learning Resource Center (LRC) for tutoring students in Math, Science, Computers and English Language. ABP also organizes several training courses in IELTS, SAT and ACT, and created "The English Room" to help students enhance their English language skills.

Students who perform well at the ABP and meet basic university admission requirements have the opportunity to enter directly into the first year of undergraduate programs at a number of universities in the U.K., the US and Germany. In addition, students interested in joining certain universities in Qatar may be given credit for courses they took at the ABP.

In 2011, the ABP was awarded five years accreditation by the Commission on English Language Accreditation (CEA) in the United States. This makes it easier to fast-track ABP graduates into universities in the United States without the need for them to complete a university foundation year.

The ABP is now accepting applications for admission for the 2014-15 academic year. Information about admission to the ABP may be found on the ABP's website www.abp.edu.qa or by e-mailing ABPAdmission@qf.org.qa.

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