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PRESS RELEASE

QF's Academic Bridge Program students elect female Student Association President for second year in a row

STUDENTS at Qatar Foundation's Academic Bridge Program recently elected a female Student Association President. This is only the second time in the ABP's 13-year history that a female student has been elected as the Student Association President.

ABP student Nouran Allam, from Egypt, beat off tough competition from two other female candidates to lead the ABP's Student Association this year.

"It's such an honor to have been elected as only the second female Student Association President of ABP. I would like to thank the ABP students for supporting and electing me, and I know this will be a memorable year for all of us," Nouran said.

Last year Qatari student, Aisha Al-Muhammadi, made history when she was elected as the first ever female Student Association President in the ABP's history. Aisha is now studying Communications at Northwestern University in Qatar.

In total, 16 students ran for five positions on the 2013-14 ABP Student Association—the ABP's student government. Three candidates—all female—ran for the position of President, five for the position of female Vice-President, three for the post of male Vice-President, three for the Treasurer and two for the Secretary positions, respectively.

After weeks of tough campaigning, the newly elected members are President, Nouran Allam, Vice- President (female) Al Maha Al Thani, Vice-President (male) Ali Al Binali, Treasurer, Eman Al Alabdi and Secretary, Amna Al Mohammed.

ABP Student Association candidates are required to be in good academic standing with grades of no less than 70 percent in each subject. Candidates running for the President position are required to have grades of no less than 80 percent in each subject.

As a center of the Qatar Foundation, for the past 13 years 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



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Room” to help students enhance their English language skills. ABP aspires to developing its students into qualified leaders of the future by also providing a concentrated program for academic and guidance counseling directed by Dr. Marcie Lindsey, within the Student Services division.

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.

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