



The Princess Nourah bint Abdulrahman University (PNU) aligned its strategy, internal policies and governance to embrace and implement the SDGs and already is contributing with the development of Sustainable Cities and Communities

The Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is responsible for the urban planning of the cities of the Kingdom, including the provision of roads and basic equipment, improvement and beautification of cities and the development of municipal and rural areas. In order to achieve sustainable urbanization of the Kingdom, a Royal Decree was issued whereby the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs, in cooperation with UN-HABITAT, is implementing the "Future Saudi Cities" program. The program seeks to develop a new vision and strategic planning framework for the sustainable urban future in Saudi Arabia, Productive, equitable, socially inclusive and environmentally sustainable, with adequate infrastructure, adequate and high quality of life.

#### [The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's Initiatives for Sustainable Cities and Communities:](#)

- Updating the National Urban Strategy 2030 in cooperation with the United Nations Development Program.
- The NEOM Project.
- Providing safe and easy navigation through the development of transport systems.
- Improve the classification of the city of Riyadh globally to become one of the best 100 cities in the world.
- King Abdulaziz Project for Public Transport in Riyadh City



Saudi Vision 2030

In regard to the Neom Project NEOM, this is a bold and audacious dream. It is a vision of what a New Future might look like (in fact, NEOM means, “new future”). It’s an attempt to do something that’s never been done before and it comes at a time when the world needs fresh thinking and new solutions. NEOM is being built on the Red Sea in northwest Saudi Arabia as a living laboratory – a place where entrepreneurship and innovation will chart the course for this New Future. NEOM will be a destination, a home for people who dream big and want to be part of building a new model for sustainable living, working and prospering. [NEOM](#) will include towns and cities, ports and enterprise zones, research centers, sports and entertainment venues, and tourist destinations. It will be the home and workplace for more than a million citizens from around the world.



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The PNU building is part of these sustainable development initiatives, since that is part the first university projects to apply sustainability systems in Saudi Arabia. [In order to maintain the environmental design approach, selected sustainable design criteria related environment and architecture design have been applied.](#)



Sustainability guidelines in University Buildings in The KSA

Work Princess Nora Bint Abdulrahman University

Location: Riyadh - Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (Middle East)

Timeline: 2013 - 2016

Programs: 12 CAS, 40,000 students, 2.8 million sq. ft of classrooms

Services: Project Construction Management, Architecture and Design


Client: dar

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Princess Nourah bint Abdulrahman University has achieved 47 ranking advancement in comparison with its rank in the last year's "UI Green Metric 2019" rankings respecting the measurement of development of environmentally friendly infrastructure through 65 indicators. As the university ranked 138 out of 780 universities worldwide, and the second rank at the local level, while the six indicators are based on a specific classification methodology, i.e. Infrastructure (SI), Energy, Climate Change (ES), Waste (WS), Water (WR), Transport (TR) and Education (ED).



This global university ranking launched by University of Indonesia in 2010 is a non-profit classification, which represents the first classification to measure the sustainable efforts of university campus and is considered as a tool to address the sustainability challenges faced by our world to make university facilities environmentally friendly. As well as reducing the inevitable negative environmental effects, the classification also pays due concern to evaluate the efforts made in field of education for sustainable development and relative research papers.

UI Green Metric 2019

On the other hand, the university worked according to an innovative approach to the strategy of establishing and organizing volunteer work in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Through the establishment of (Nourah Al-Ataa Volunteer Incubator) which is a specialized incubator for volunteering and qualifying volunteers, according to the sustainable development methodology that was officially opened by H.E. the Rector of the University at the King Salman Forum for Youth.

The Nourah Al-Ataa Volunteer Incubator represents a future creative vision for sustainable volunteering in the country, so that this project is an experience house for spreading the culture of volunteerism, enhancing its role in the comprehensive development of society in partnership with leading voluntary bodies and societies. As well as organizing the utilization of energies and human resources inside and outside the university through preparing and qualifying them for national volunteering. [The incubator developed the capabilities of volunteers, honed their skills in volunteering, granted them a national volunteer license, and qualified them according to the first and second volunteer license program.](#)



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These efforts come within the responsibility of Princess Nourah University in serving the society and achieving its strategy in the field of social responsibility and volunteering, to be an active partner in building and developing the community. [As it has been keen to activate volunteer work inside and outside the university for the vision of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, as it seeks through the incubator to contribute in raising the number Volunteers in Saudi Arabia to one million volunteers by 2030, such that may to serve as guidelines to established future sustainable communities](#)

**Coinciding with International Volunteer Day, Princess Nourah University offers 1,315 volunteers to the community with 23,352 voluntary hours**

12/6/2019  
Princess Nourah Bint Abdul Rahman University recorded during the first semester of 2019 more than 23,352 volunteer hours, graduating approximately 1315 volunteers from university students in various disciplines and granting them a license to practice volunteer work. Currently, 150 volunteer students are trained, with the aim of contributing to achieving the 2030 vision.

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Volunteers to the community

Thinking in this issue Princess Nourah University implemented environmental awareness campaigns relative to the sustainable development objectives.



One activity was performed in coordination and cooperation has been made with the General Department of Parks and Community Service in the Secretariat of the City of Riyadh to obtain various types of different annual flowering seedlings, cacti, perennial outdoor plants, and small trees to be cultivated by approximately (90) students among the fourth level students in the Biology Department. This comes in line with the Kingdom's strategies towards the environment and the restoration of vegetation in Riyadh to reduce the damages related to drought and its negative effects, as an influential environmental mission and social responsibility to activate the role of students in society inside and outside the college and university. In addition to contributing to raising awareness and environmental sense with a number of Applied Ecology issues, as well as, improvement and beautification of cities as indicated in the SDG 11.

The awareness campaigns varied to include the introduction of the World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought under the slogan (Vision is affiliation to achieve development), the introduction of the International Day for Biological Diversity, whose campaign was called (Our Vision 2030 Saves Our Environment). [As well as the introduction of the International Day for Preserving the Ozone Layer and shedding light on the resulting global climate change and global warming under the slogan \(Vision 2030 protects the environment\).](#)

**Princess Nourah University implements three environmental awareness campaigns relative to the sustainable development objectives**

12/17/2019

In view of the role of Princess Nourah bint Abdulrahman University in achieving environmental sustainability, and its belief in the importance of active students' participation in various international forums and events related to the environment. The Department of Biology and the Community Service Unit at the College of Science have recently organized three environmental community awareness campaigns with slogans linked to the thirteenth objectives of private sustainable development in the climate, and the fifteenth of life on the land. In the presence of the head of the Biology Department, Dr. Laila Al-Shuraim, the college's vice-rector, as well as several faculty members, administrative staff and the students.

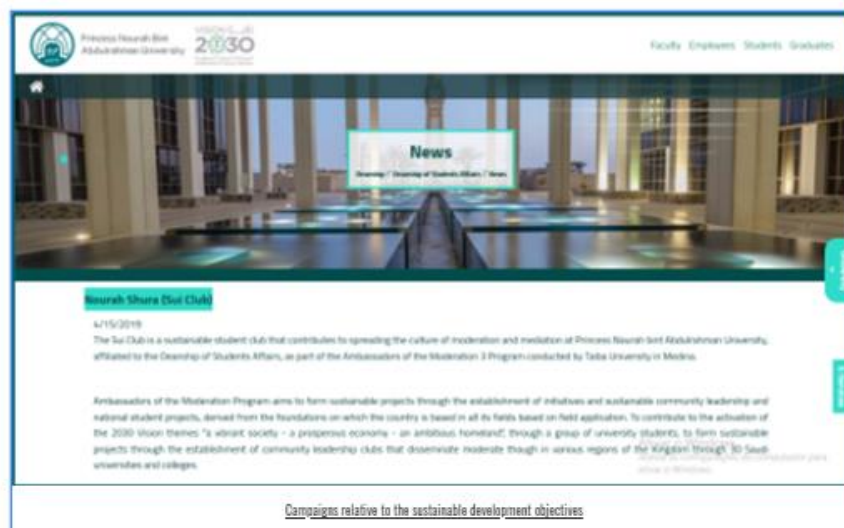


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Campaigns relative to the sustainable development objectives

Besides, The Nourah Shura (Sui Club) is a sustainable student club that contributes to spreading the culture of moderation and mediation at Princess Nourah bint Abdulrahman University, affiliated to the Deanship of Students Affairs, as part of the Ambassadors of the Moderation 3

Program conducted by Taiba University in Medina. Ambassadors of the Moderation Program aims to form sustainable projects through the establishment of initiatives and sustainable community leadership and national student projects, derived from the foundations on which the country is based in all its fields based on field application. To contribute to the activation of the 2030 Vision themes "a vibrant society - a prosperous economy - an ambitious homeland", [through a group of university students, to form sustainable projects through the establishment of community leadership clubs that disseminate moderate though in various regions of the Kingdom through Saudi universities and colleges.](#)



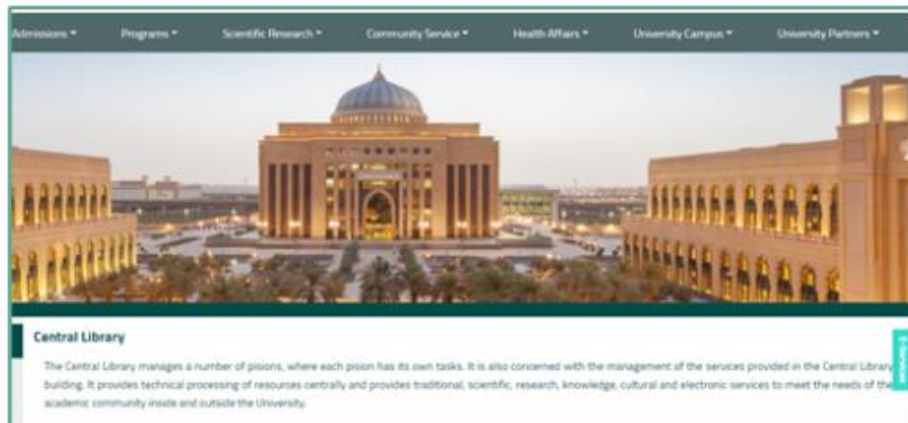
## Central Library

The Princess Nourah Bint Abdulrahman University implements different permanent training programs for the students and people outside the university. There are different invitations made by Princess Nourah Bint Abdulrahman University, to people outside the university, in related courses, computers, library, online courses, and free access to lectures.

The Central Library is concerned with providing an appealing educational environment. It provides technical processing of resources, cultural and electronic services to meet the needs of the academic community inside and outside the university.



The Central Library manages a number of positions, where each position has its own tasks. It is also concerned with the management of the services provided in the Central Library building. [It provides technical processing of resources centrally and provides traditional, scientific, research, knowledge, cultural, and electronic services to meet the needs of the academic community inside and outside the University.](#)



The Nourah Shara

Services provided by the Central Library:

- Introductory tours.
- Search in the automated index.
- Health service, guidance and mentoring.
- Inquiries response service.
- Internet service.
- Electronic services.
- Book retention service.
- Books requesting service.
- Borrowing service.
- Research carrels service.
- Classrooms and discussion service.
- Photocopying and scanning service.
- Ongoing briefing and selective transmission of information.
- People with Special Needs Service.





File evidences

- The central library provides its services to all employees of the university, including members of an educational and administrative staff and female students, as well as for beneficiaries outside the university, such as researchers, graduate students, and women from this standpoint, the Cognitive Behavioral Counseling Unit provides its services and training programs in an appropriate manner complimentary.



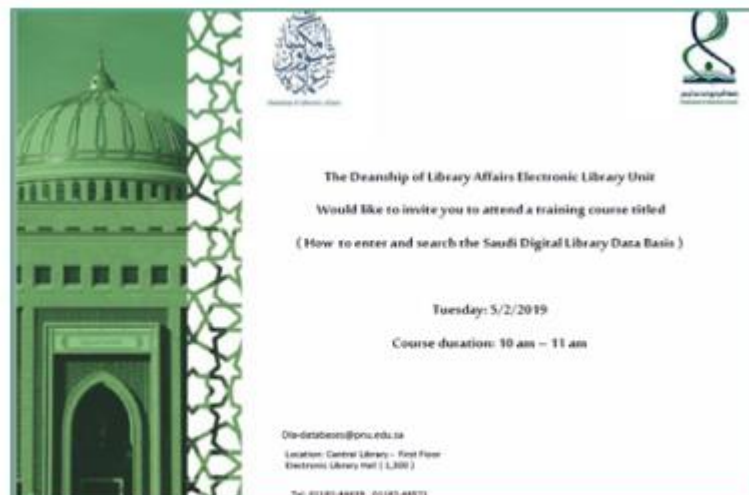
File evidences

- A free training course held by the Deanship of Academic Development at the university for members of the Insan Association



File evidences

- [Shows invitation for attend a training course titled \(How to enter and search the Saudi Digital Library Data Basis\) before and after translation.](#)



PNU Announcements

**Student Housing**

### **Who deserves accommodation?**

- Scholarship students according to the scholarship rules.
- Saudi students residing at remote areas more than 150 km away from Riyadh City.
- Students of special status whose status requires to be examined by the Deanship of Students Affairs.
- Non-Saudi student who meets the rental conditions specified by the Deanship of Student Affairs.

### **Services:**

- Securing and equipping the accommodation buildings to receive the students in coordination with the concerned department.
- Providing the highest level of health, social and psychological care to students residing within the dormitory.
- Providing integrated meals for students at discounted prices.
- Providing means of transportation to serve the dormitory students.
- Providing computer and telephone networks to facilitate external communication.
- Providing multiple commercial services (student service-provisions- restaurant- cafe) as needed by students.
- Conducting extracurricular activities at the students' accommodation.
- The student can use sports and recreational facilities on the campus.

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**Student Housing**

**Who deserves accommodation?**

1. Students for students according to the admission rules.
2. Such students residing at a distance more than 100 km away from Riyadh City.
3. Students of special status whose status requires to be examined by the Secretary of Students Affairs.
4. Non-facult student who meets the work conditions specified by the Secretary of Student Affairs.

**Services**

1. Securing and equipping the accommodation buildings to receive the students in coordination with the concerned department.
2. Providing the highest level of health, social and psychological care to students residing within the dormitory.
3. Providing other services for students at discounted prices.
4. Providing means of transportation to serve the dormitory students.



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