

Document 3: Research Committee Activity Log

Overview

This document provides a chronological and thematic summary of all activities conducted by the FHS Research Committee from its establishment through the current academic year.

Activity Summary by Year

Academic Year	Meetings	Seminars/Workshops	Publications Tracked	Key Milestones
2016-17	8	2	Initial tracking	Committee established
2017-18	8	3	Ongoing	FHS Cohort launched; Concept mapping study
2018-19	5+	4	Ongoing	Journal Club launched; IPE project
2019-20	3+	3	Ongoing	Research walls; Emerald workshop
2020-21	Limited	1	46 articles	COVID impact; FHS Research Day approved
2021-22	Regular	2	33 articles	BAU HWB Journal coordination
2022-23	7	3	44 articles (18 Q1)	First 3MT event; AI ethics seminar
2023-24	5+	3	Tracked	3MT expanded (26 participants)
2024-25	Regular	2+	Tracked	Research Empowerment Workshop
2025-26	Ongoing	Planned	Ongoing	Current activities

Thematic Activity Groupings

A. Governance and Policy

Date	Activity	Outcome
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Sep 2016	Committee formation meeting	Established roles; defined research themes
Oct 2017	Publication criteria established	Scopus/Scimago indexing requirement adopted
Nov 2017	Research subthemes defined	Illness/disease, Prevention, Food processing, Medical education
2022	Research subthemes aligned with SDGs	Updated to include 17 SDG alignments
Nov 2023	Research subthemes updated by department	MLT, PT, Nutrition, Nursing themes formalized
2023	Journal ranking lists prepared	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 journals catalogued for faculty guidance

B. Capacity Building

Seminars and Keynote Speakers

Date	Speaker	Topic	Audience
Dec 2016	Dr. Mira Al Chaar	Occult Hepatitis B Infection and Blood Transfusion	Faculty/Students
Nov 2017	Dr. Salim Moussa	Internal faculty seminar	Faculty
Oct 2017	Pr. Georges Nemer (AUB)	Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics	Faculty
Feb 2018	Dr. Nathalie Zougheib (AUB)	Team-Based Learning in Research	Faculty
May 2018	Dr. Charbel Khalil (MEIH)	Stem Cells: From Bench to Bedside	Faculty
Oct 2018	Pr. Ali Bazarbachi	T-cell Leukaemia/Lymphoma Research	Faculty
Jan 2019	Dr. Nehmeh El Hachem	Large-Scale Transcriptomic Approaches	Faculty
Jan 2019	Dr. Said El Shamieh	Predatory Journals and Conferences	Faculty

Mar 2019	Round Table	Open Access vs. Closed Access; Editorial Perspectives	Faculty
Jan 2020	Dr. Ghazi Tadmouri	Biomedical Research in Eastern Mediterranean (2004-2018)	Faculty
Sep 2019	Emerald Publisher Group	Research Publishing for Masters Students	Postgraduates
Oct 2022	Scientific Research Day	Emerging Concepts and Ethical Challenges (AI, Narcissism)	Faculty/Students
Feb 2024	Dr. Jihane Basbous	Serendipity in Science	Faculty/Students
2024-25	Research Empowerment Workshop	SPSS; AI in Writing; Citations	Faculty

Journal Club Sessions

Date	Guideline Discussed	Article Reviewed	Facilitator
2018-19	CONSORT	Abraham et al. (2011) - Wireless pulmonary monitoring	Dr. Hiba Deek
Planned	CARE	Case report guidelines	Dr. Said El Shamieh

Grant Writing Support

Date	Activity	Outcome
Mar 2017	Grant Proposal 101 presentation	Faculty preparation for CNRS grants
2017	CNRS grant applications	Dr. El Shamieh and Dr. El Darra submitted
Jan 2019	AUF Grant Writing Course applications	Faculty members prepared exposés
Nov 2023	Funding agents list compiled	Excel sheet of funding opportunities
Jan 2024	SSHN 2024 grant	Dr. Moussa and Dr. El

	applications	Shamieh applied
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C. Ethics and Compliance

Date	Activity	Outcome
Nov 2016	Research proposal review	Mr. Ibrahim Kadamani's IPE proposal approved
Dec 2017	IRB application guidance	Concept mapping study prepared for ethics approval
2018-19	Ethics preparation support	Multiple IRB submissions facilitated
2019	REVIVA Medical Center collaboration	Signed agreement for stem cell research
2022	3MT event guidelines	International standards (Queensland University) adopted
2024	Postgraduate ethics training	ORPH course recommendation

D. Funding Support

Year	Activity	Grants/Funding
2017	CNRS grant preparation	2 proposals submitted
2017	Intramural grant submissions	Dr. El Shamieh (Harvard collaboration); Dr. El Darra (Glasgow collaboration)
2018	CNR-CNRS contract	Archived by committee
2019	AUF training proposals	Multiple faculty applications
2021	Graduate Assistantship Program	University implementation supported
2021	Q1/Q2 Article Incentives	University policy implemented
2021	Intramural Grantship Program	University policy implemented
2024	SSHN 2024 grants	Applications submitted

E. Student Research Development

3-Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition

Year	Participants	Winners	Key Features
2023	~10	Awards given	First event; external jury
Feb 2024	26	7 trophies	Dr. Jihane Basbous keynote; People's Choice Award

Junior Research Teams

Year	Team	Project
2016-17	MLT students (Bakleh, Safadi, Jbeily, Makkieh)	Bacterial transmission among cell phone users
2016-17	Ms. Rana Mashael	Bacterial contamination of Lebanese currency
Ongoing	Departmental teams	Various supervised projects

Research Walls

Date	Initiative	Location
Oct 2019	Students' Research Wall	5th Floor, near Dean's Office
Oct 2019	Staff Research Wall (PT, Nursing)	5th Floor
Oct 2019	Staff Research Wall (MLT, Nutrition)	6th Floor
2022	Wall renewal	Post-COVID reactivation

Annual Activity Timeline

Academic Year 2016-17

Month	Activity
Sep 2016	Committee formation; research survey; themes identified
Nov 2016	Research proposals reviewed; grant discussion
Nov 2016	Costa Brava crisis health impact discussed

Dec 2016	Dr. Mira Al Char seminar; BAU Research Day prep
Jan 2017	Junior research team projects initiated
Mar 2017	Grant Proposal 101; WCPT abstract accepted
Apr 2017	Junior research team experiments started
May 2017	Inter-faculty research team discussion

Academic Year 2017-18

Month	Activity
Sep 2017	Research day planning; speaker invitations
Oct 2017	Pr. Georges Nemer seminar; publication criteria set
Nov 2017	Concept mapping pilot study launched
Dec 2017	IRB application prepared
Jan 2018	Data analysis; Dr. Zougheib seminar scheduled
Feb 2018	TBL seminar delivered
Mar 2018	Concept mapping evaluation tool designed
Apr 2018	Article submitted to Data in Brief
May 2018	Dr. Charbel Khalil seminar; simulation research

Academic Year 2018-19

Month	Activity
Sep 2018	IPE project initiated; Journal Club launched
Oct 2018	Pr. Ali Bazarbachi seminar; KPIs prepared
Nov 2018	Predatory journals presentation reviewed
Jan 2019	Grant writing course applications
Mar 2019	Round table on publishing

Academic Year 2019-20

Month	Activity
Sep 2019	Emerald publisher workshop; research visibility
Oct 2019	Research walls established

Jan 2020	Dr. Ghazi Tadmouri seminar; FHS Research Day planned
Mar 2020	COVID-19 disruption

Academic Year 2020-21

Month	Activity
Jun 2021	FHS Research Day approved by President
Ongoing	BAU HWB Journal coordination (3 accepted, 3 under review)

Academic Year 2022-23

Month	Activity
Oct 2022	Scientific Research Day (AI, Ethics)
Nov 2022	3MT event planning; biostatistics workshop proposed
Dec 2022	3MT guidelines finalized; research wall renewal
Feb 2023	First 3MT event
Mar 2023	Event evaluation; website updates
May 2023	AI speaker search; undergraduate event planning

Academic Year 2023-24

Month	Activity
Nov 2023	3MT planning; research subthemes updated
Jan 2024	3MT final prep; research talks
Feb 2024	3MT event (26 participants, 7 trophies)

Academic Year 2024-25

Activity	Status
Research Empowerment Workshop	Conducted
Annual Report	Completed
Publications tracking	Ongoing

Academic Year 2025-26

Activity	Status
12 th Faculty Council	Documented
Research planning	Ongoing

Key Metrics Summary (Where Available)

Metric	20-21	21-22	22-23
Total Publications	46	33	44



Q1 Publications	18	15	18
3MT Participants	-	-	~10