



TOMORROW'S LEADERS PROGRAM **YEARBOOK**

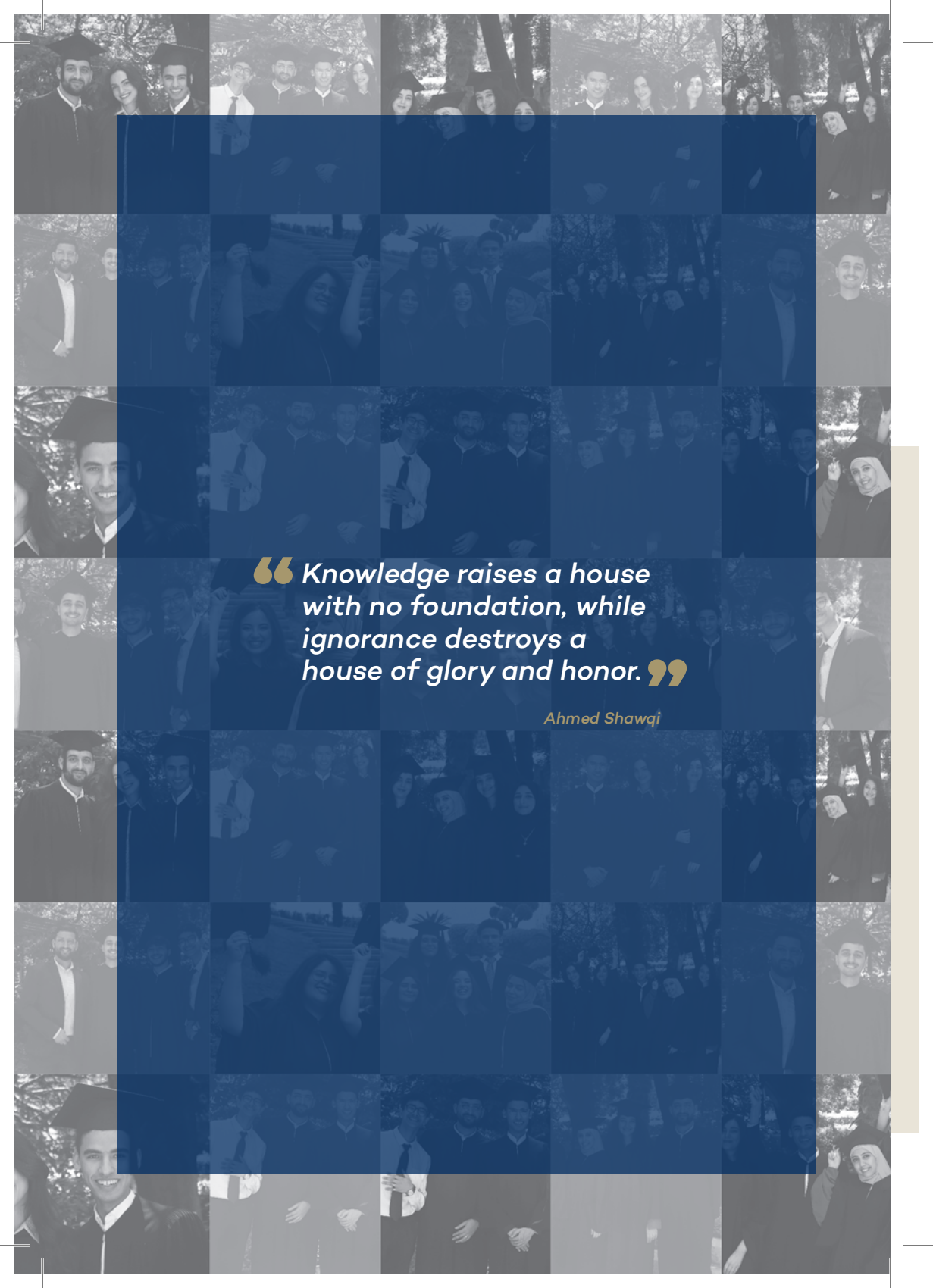






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*“ Knowledge raises a house
with no foundation, while
ignorance destroys a
house of glory and honor. ”*

Ahmed Shawqi

LAU-MEPI TL PROGRAM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Dear Graduating Tomorrow's Leaders,

As I write this message, I am filled with deep pride, admiration, and profound respect for each of you. Your journey through the Tomorrow's Leaders (TL) program—whether undergraduate or graduate—has been extraordinary not just for its academic milestones but also for the leadership, resilience, and courage you have displayed every step of the way.

You joined this program with dreams of creating change. Along the way, you faced realities that could have easily derailed your path: displacement, conflict, economic hardship, and personal loss. Yet you persisted. You turned challenge into opportunity, fear into determination, and uncertainty into vision. You led with integrity, not because it was easy, but because it was necessary.

Throughout your time at LAU, you became more than students. You became mentors, organizers, volunteers, researchers, and advocates. You pushed yourselves and each other. You listened across difference. You created a community, often when you needed one the most.

This moment, your graduation, is not simply a ceremony. It is a powerful act of defiance against the forces that tried to silence your dreams. It is a declaration that leadership is not defined by privilege, but by purpose.

As you step into the next chapter of your lives, carry with you the lessons you've learned, not just in the classroom, but in the quiet, difficult moments where your character was tested and strengthened. The region, and the world, needs your voice, your empathy, your courage, and your vision.

I am honored to have walked a part of this journey with you. You are — without a doubt — the embodiment of what this program was created to achieve. You are the leaders we have been waiting for.

With heartfelt congratulations,

Dina AbdulRahman

LAU-MEPI TL FAMILY



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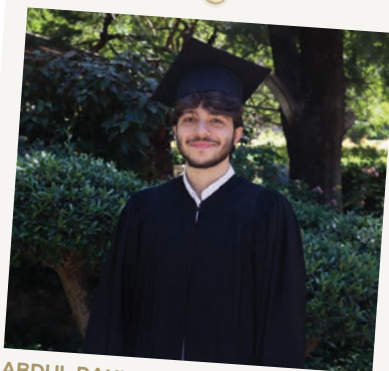
*Behind every great student is an amazing TL team
cheering you on — always!*

TOMORROW'S LEADERS UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM



ABDALLAH ALMOMANI

Jordan
BA in Communication
High Distinction



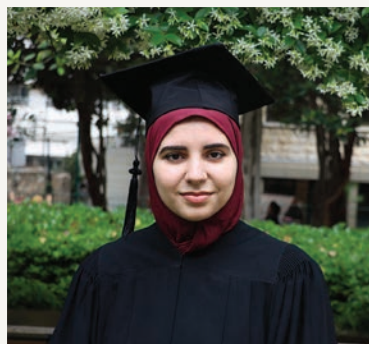
ABDUL RAHMAN AL ZAATARI

Lebanon
BS in Computer Science
Distinction



ABIR FAKIH

Lebanon
BA in Psychology
Distinction



IKRAM BICHBICH

Algeria
BS in Computer Science
Distinction

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JAD KHAZEM

Lebanon
BS in Biology
High Distinction
Honors Program



JANA ALTAHLEH

Jordan
BS in Nursing



KHADIJA ALABED ALLAH

Syria
BS in Chemistry
Honors



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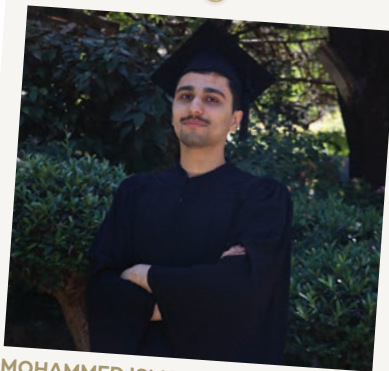
Iraq
BS in BioInformatics
Distinction
Honors Program

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MERIEM HARCHA

Algeria
BS in Marketing
Distinction



MOHAMMED ISMAIL

West Bank
BS in Mathematics
High Distinction



NAAGHAM ALHASSAN

Libya
BA in Psychology
Honors



RIMA SFAXI

Tunisia
BS in Marketing
High Distinction
Honors Program

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SALAH EDDINE ABOURABIL

Morocco
BS in Intern.Business
Distinction



SALMA IDIHOUM

Morocco
BA in Psychology
High Distinction
Honors Program



WALA AL-SADI

Yemen
BA in Communication
Distinction



ZAHRAA JABBAR

Iraq
BS in Biology
Distinction

TOMORROW'S LEADERS GRADUATE PROGRAM



HADEEL EL JUHAYIM

West Bank/Gaza
MA in Education



IMEN KEKLI

Tunisia
MA in Applied Economics



NOURANE ZAROUR

Algeria
MA in Education



OUSSAMA BELAMRI

Algeria
MA in International Affairs

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RANA SALEH

Egypt
MA in Interdisciplinary Gender Studies



SHATOO BAKIR

Iraq
MA in International Affairs



SOUFIANE EL-HAMRY

Morocco
MA in Interdisciplinary Gender Studies

LAU-MEPI TL REFLECTIONS

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO FUTURE MEPI-TL STUDENTS?

OUSSAMA BELAMRI Hard to prepare anyone for any life-changing experience, let alone the MEPI-TL. Yet, my key to anyone who's jumping onto this ride is that it's a mindset solution; if you're in, you're in! Engage fully with the program. It is overwhelming if you're not organized and disciplined, however if you choose to be you will be amazed by the resources put at your fingertips. Pluralism is the solution, thus, be yourself and learn from – and about – others for you to grow."

HOW HAS THE MEPI-TL PROGRAM CONTRIBUTED TO YOUR CAREER GROWTH?

SHATOO BAKIR The MEPI- TL program has been crucial to shaping my academic and professional trajectory. The LAU study program, along with the leadership and civic engagement of the TL program has expanded my knowledge and understanding of the region more, where I can be able to be more productive and influential through the practical skills in research, critical thinking, and cross-cultural communication that the program has equipped me with. As a result of this program, I have started to contribute to community-based projects, take on leadership roles in new fields of work, and shape my career on a more diverse path."

JAD KHAZEM The MEPI-TL Program supported my growth both academically and personally. It pushed me to take initiative, stay committed to my community, and aim high in my studies. That balance between civic engagement and academics was key in helping me get into medical school and in shaping me into a well-rounded future healthcare professional.

SOUFIANE EL-HAMRY The Tomorrow's Leaders Program enabled me to deepen my academic research skills through an interdisciplinary master's program. It contributed to turning my passion for social justice into future action plans. The program has also sharpened my critical thinking, public speaking and leadership skills. I trust that all these qualifications will pave my career path in policy and advocacy work.

NOW THAT YOU'VE GRADUATED, WHAT ARE YOUR NEXT STEPS?

**SHATOO
BAKIR**

I want to deepen my expertise in public policy, development studies, and conflict resolution. I aim to build a foundation focused on community-based growth and development in the Kurdistan Region. I plan to engage in further research-oriented policies that can be implemented within different communities and cultures. I want to contribute to my region through academic work and public service that will integrate my experiences and studies.

**ZAHRAA
JABBAR**

Now that I have concluded the experience under the TLU program and secured a degree in biology, the passion that brought about my love for medicine, this would hopefully be my next step in the journey. The major change that will definitely move forward with me in life regardless of what the plan is would be the satisfaction of feeling independent and that you are capable of tackling your life to bring your dreams and aspirations into a reality you will be living in momentarily till the next wave of change comes around."

**IMEN
KEKLI**

I want to build a career where I don't have to choose between research and action, where I can use what I learn to shape policies that make life fairer and more sustainable, especially for people and regions that are often overlooked. I hope to be part of work that feels real and meaningful, where I can keep learning, stay curious, and maybe even be happy doing it. Long term, I see myself contributing to international efforts that are grounded, collaborative, and that move things forward.

**OUSSAMA
BELAMRI**

Hard to believe that I am saying this, but it's finally time to move from academia as the primary occupation. In the long run, I will probably go for that Ph.D. title, but currently I am looking for opportunities where I can put the knowledge I gained into action. I believe hands-on experience in conflict, migration, and political communication is the right next step for my career.

**ABDALLAH
ALMOMANI**

I'm excited to start a job in advertising as a Strategic Planner. I plan to work in the region for a few years before I start thinking about doing a master's degree. These few years will help me identify which master's program might best serve the gaps I have in my knowledge or skillset. From advertising, I hope to branch out over time to other communication industries such as advocacy, PR, or politics- fields where I can make a meaningful impact and give back to my community. Eventually, my goal is to earn a PhD and work based in Jordan.

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CULTURAL CONNECTION



IFTAR GATHERING



HONORS PROGRAM



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RETREAT



RESEARCH DAY



THESIS DEFENSE



US SEMESTER

LAU-MEPI TL EXPERIENCE

تقول رضوى عاشور:
«إننا طبعاً نحتاج مقالة، ولكنني
بلفت قدرًا من النفع يسمح لي
بالتفكير من وجهة نظر لا يمكن لنا دقق
حضورها، وفاراد لا جدوى من
ولاء».

Thank you for awarding me the TLG scholarship.
I'm truly grateful for your trust and will strive
to live up to the name of a Tomorrow
Leader and give back to my community.

with sincere gratitude,
Hadeel El Juhayim



Every single day was filled with new found knowledge
connections, and experiences. So grateful for the growth and
opportunity to discover myself and meet a bundle of distinct
individuals through MEPI. Good luck y'all. Naagham Allasar

To those who made my
experience a bit better
by being there, I am
forever grateful. I leave
behind bits and pieces of
my heart that will forever
remind me of this chapter
of my life.

أحبكم كومة!
زهراء

These past two years
have been truly
transformative.
I am deeply grateful
for this life-changing
opportunity.

Thank you MEPI TL. ♥
Soufiane El-Hamry

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After hardship comes ease!

Imen Kekli

Imen

Life changing
&

Blessful Journey
Forever grateful
Thank you MEPI
& to greater
Starts!

الحمد لله

Thank You
MEPI For Sharing
The Raha I am
Today Grateful
For That One of a Kind
Experience
Rana Saleh

Thank You for
making our dreams
come true! ♥
- Abin

Best best best experience
of my life - live love
MEPI TLU ~ Jad Khazem

I will forever be grateful for MEPI
and the life changing opportunity it gave me!
I will forever be in love with Lebanon and
LAU. This has been my home for the past
two years and I really wish to be back
soon. Please remember me as fondly as I
will remember you.

تحبيكم بزاق!
فؤاد زعور

الحمد لله
- عبد الرحمن



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