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## Graduation Ceremony 2013 (Batch 18)

كلية دبي للصيدلة  
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تحت رعاية صاحب السمو الشيخ  
محمد بن راشد آل مكتوم  
نائب رئيس الدولة رئيس مجلس الوزراء حاكم دبي "رعاه الله"  
تنشرف كلية دبي الطبية وكلية دبي للصيدلة لدعوتكم لحضور حفل تخريج  
دفعة ٢٣ من كلية دبي الطبية / دفعة ١٨ من كلية دبي للصيدلة  
في قاعة الجوهرة - فندق مدينة الجميرا - دبي  
في تمام الساعة ١١ صباحاً

Under the patronage of  
His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum  
Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai

Dubai Medical College (23rd Batch) & Dubai Pharmacy College (18th Batch)

Cordially invite you to attend the  
**Graduation Ceremony**  
Date : January 07, 2014  
Time : 11:00 AM  
Venue : Al Joharah Ballroom, Madinat Jumeirah

(RSVP) Amina Zarar 0501664785

His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid , Maktoum bin Mohammed and Hajj Saed Lootah during the ceremony.



## GRADUATION CEREMONY 2014 - A REPORT

7 January, 2014

His Highness Shaikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, on Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> of January, 2014, attended the graduation ceremony of Dubai Medical College for Girls and Dubai Pharmacy College. Shaikh Maktoum Bin Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, honored top students of both the colleges. Haj Saeed Bin Ahmad Bin Lootah, Eng. Yahya Saeed Al Lootah and other senior officials attended the event. Honorary dignitary Mohammed Sabeel Al Dhanani, Chief Medical Officer of Armed Forces of UAE was among the guest of honor.

A total of 129 students from both colleges were felicitated in the presence of His Highness Shaikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai.

The ceremony lauded the DMCG's 23rd batch of graduates and DPC's 18th. It was held at Madinat Jumeirah, Dubai. Shaikh Mohammad reaffirmed that education is the foundation for building a nation that is proud of its social, educational and modern achievements. He wished the graduates success, and urged them to strive towards more achievements to better serve their country and society.

Shaikh Mohammad praised the efforts of Haj Saeed Bin Ahmad Bin Lootah, Founder and President of DMCG and DPC, for setting up an educational edifice that continues to educate a huge number of Muslim girls. Shaikh Maktoum Bin Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Deputy Ruler of Dubai, honoured the top five students of both colleges.

*With inputs from WAM*





## Dean's Graduation Ceremony Speech 2013

Assalamu alaikum,

It is an honor to be able to share in your celebration today. I am proud to offer formal and official congratulations to you, our graduating class of 2013. I can see the broad smiles of the faculty. I can see the pride on the faces of parents. I can see the joy of so many friends and family. I can see the excitement of today's graduates. Your belief in us and your consistent faith have sustained us to achieve a very special milestone.

Dubai Pharmacy College is in the midst of a remarkable transition as we see unprecedented growth with the induction of the Masters Program with two major specializations such as **Clinical Pharmacy** and **Pharmaceutical Formulation Development**. Being in the heart of one of the most affluent countries on the globe, the MPharm program was reviewed by expert panelist from the University of Bath – a leading UK university with an international reputation. And Saint Joseph's University which has been ranked 8th among Best Universities out of 173 schools for Master's program in the U.S since 1999.

Today you graduate with a BPharm degree awarded by Dubai Pharmacy College that is proud of its legacy and tradition. When you step outside this magnificent hall this afternoon, and leave the graduation ceremony, you will be a Dubai Pharmacy College graduate. Now, you will begin your life in a new way, and you will be responsible from making all your own decisions: about jobs, about studies, about friendships, about where you will put your time, creativity, and efforts. There is nobody like a pharmacist to help think through the risks and benefits - whether it be medication error, wrong drug choice or wrong dosage. There is nobody like a pharmacist to help choose and dose a medication correctly. More than ever, you are going to a health care system that requires team-based approaches and someone to be an agent of change. That someone can be you! Graduates, you are our future. You can make a difference. It begins with empathy, and continues with you using the gifts and excellences that we are celebrating today to do well in the world. I welcome you into the threshold of pharmacy profession. The future holds much promise for those entering the field of Clinical Pharmacy or Pharmaceutical Formulation Development. Go far, read widely, and do great things. And please, Class of 2013, return often to your alma mater so that we may celebrate your successes.

So today my parting words are you are the most trusted health care provider with the greatest access to all patients. This is what drives us to work in a healing profession, to bring compassion for those who cannot speak for themselves. I urge you to find the courage that is needed to make a difference. My advice is to break down the barriers. Don't accept "no" for an answer. Dream the impossible. Transform the health care system. Embrace the diversity among your colleagues, patients, and community. Your degree is a testament that you have set out to succeed – in achieving excellence as an educated professional. If we have taught you well, then you know that much of what you learned must be used in the service of helping others. And I am sure that you will all make us proud.

Thank you.

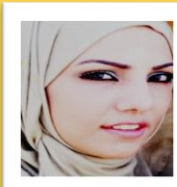
Prof Saeed Ahmad Khan  
Dean, Dubai Pharmacy College





# CONGRATULATIONS!!

First  
Position  
CGPA: 3.94



Yasmeen Faraj  
Saleh

Second  
Position  
CGPA: 3.94



Samar Mahmoud

Third  
Position  
CGPA: 3.94



Mirna Mohamed

Fourth  
Position  
CGPA: 3.90



Qurat-ul-Ain  
Salim

Fifth  
Position  
CGPA: 3.87



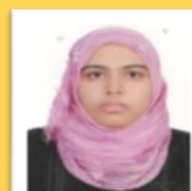
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Kayali

Sixth  
Position  
CGPA: 3.84



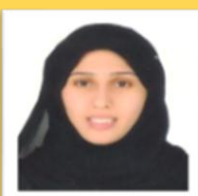
Thuraya Shabbair

Seventh  
Position  
CGPA: 3.82



Hira Amjad  
Parvez

Eighth  
Position  
CGPA: 3.81



Khadija Abdulla

Ninth  
Position  
CGPA: 3.78



Nabeela Ahmed

Tenth  
Position  
CGPA: 3.77



Lamya Bashir





## Valedictorian Speech:

*Yasmeen Faraj Saleh*

As-salamu alaykum,

Your Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, respected founder and chairman Haj Saeed al Lootah, Deans , faculty and Administrators, Parents and Families, Friends and Colleagues. We stand, gathered to celebrate the accomplishments of the 2013 Class of Dubai Pharmacy College. To my fellow classmates, we've made it. We are graduating. Congratulations. Congratulations not only to us graduates, but also to our faculty, parents, and families.

Our success is your success, for you have given us the freedom to dare, the courage to excel and the belief that we can achieve our best. Together for the last time, we stand poised at the very edge of graduation, looking towards a bright future. Soon each of us will go forth, in her unique direction, seeking to make a mark providing better health care. So here we are, leaving the college. We have a responsibility to our communities, to our world. Life after college should not be about living sedentary or quiet lives. The challenge is to take these past four years, the connection made, the unique passion, to take this degree and to do something relevant and positive with it.

Many of us know exactly the next step to take, whether that step is going for higher studies, a full-time job, or even a backpacking trip. Whatever we decide, all of us will agree that Dubai Pharmacy College was a perfect place to foster our minds and bodies in this critical learning phase. I'm a totally different person than I come in as a fresh four years ago. I've learned so much —my field, my interests, myself, and so on—I feel like, if I go back in time, my younger self wouldn't even recognize me!

Thanks to all the loving, kind people I've met during my time in Dubai Pharmacy College those who have encouraged and grounded us throughout the years. Parents, families, friends, and mentors. To everyone who touched our lives, we say thank you. To our Dean who helped us decide what path to take. To parents who stood by us no matter what. To doctors who tried to instill in us a passion for learning. To administrators who wanted to make our college experiences as smooth as possible. To friends who were there for study sessions, parties, and everything in between. And to all those others we depend on. Without you—without each other—there would be no purpose to being here, no way to advance. Congratulations my batch "Batch 18". I'm sure most of us will remember this day clearly for the rest of our lives. Sincerely, and from the bottom of my heart,

Thank you all.







## ATHAR

The 2nd Annual Athar Meeting was held on the 7th of January, 2014 at Madinat Jumeirah. It was an initiative by the alumni of DMCG and DPC to encourage more participation to encourage research, administration, education and community initiatives. The theme of this year's event was "Medical Leadership"

Our keynote speaker this year was Margaret Cary, MD, MBA, MPH, The Physician Leadership Coach and adjunct faculty at Georgetown University School of Medicine and George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences in the United States of America. She spoke on " Medical Leadership: The Missing Element in the Medical Education" for the first time in the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC). *ATHAR* was created by the global alumni of the Dubai Medical College & Dubai Pharmacy College to align with vision of the Dubai Health Authority (DHA) in advancing medical research and education, to put Dubai at the forefront of medical innovation. More than 1,500 alumni of Dubai Medical College are involved in this effort locally and globally, leaders in research, administration, education and community initiatives.

*Dr. Cary* is an executive coach, international speaker, lecturer and author. She is CEO of "The Cary Institute" ,which provides executive and leadership coaching, consulting and development for healthcare executives. Her clients include the University of Massachusetts School of Medicine, Mayo Clinic, AMIA (American Medical Informatics Association) and the Samueli Institute, among others. She is on faculty at the Georgetown University School of Medicine and has taught at the Harvard Macy Institute."

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DUBAI HEALTH AUTHORITY

ATHAR

Dubai Medical and Pharmacy Colleges Alumni  
Cordially invites you  
To join us at the  
2<sup>nd</sup> **ATHAR** Annual Meeting

Keynote speaker:  
**Margaret Cary, MD MPH**  
Physician leadership Coach and Faculty at  
Georgetown University School of Medicine  
Washington, DC, U.S.A

Date: January 7th , 2014  
Time: 5 pm  
Venue: Madinat Jumeirah, Al- Ioharah Ballroom, DUBAI

RSVP by Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> on 050 3982666  
Email: externalrelations@dmcg.edu







*From left to right: Prof. Saeed Ahmed Khan(Dean, DPC) , Prof. Mohammed Jelal el Din(Dean,DMC), Dr. Dima Abdel Mannan(Assistant Clinical Dean,DMC), Dr. Ayesha al Thani(Honorary Dignitary for Athar), Prof.Muscat Baron(Clinical Dean,DMC) Dr.Margaret Cary(Key speaker-Athar), Reem Shakhtour and Naema Al Hamrani(CEO's Office-Chief Organisers)*



## How Academic Libraries support e-Learning

### **Meaning of e-Learning:**

E-Learning refers to the use of electronic media and information and communication technologies (ICT) in education. It can occur in and out of the classroom and includes numerous types of media that deliver text, audio, images, animation, and streaming video, and includes technology applications and processes such as audio or video tape, satellite TV, CD-ROM, and computer based learning.

E-Learning is significant in terms of faster and reduced cost learning. Increased access is the further benefit. It is becoming an influential force in higher education today, a force which has some kind of presence on almost every campus and in an ever increasing number of college and university courses. As a new concept of education, e-learning gives a condition for us to realize the life-long learning principle and help us to build a more real learning society.

### **Academic Libraries and e-learning:**

Modern academic libraries give us an appropriate digital environment in which e-learning can take place. They apply appropriate communication technologies in support of e-learning and e-research by providing unlimited access to electronic resources and services. Electronic resources include online catalogues, databases, multimedia, online journals, digital repositories, electronic books, electronic archives and online services. They are playing a key role, helping to find and organize resources to complement programs and course making use of e-learning in order to provide support to students working through their assignments. So we can say that with the changing scenario of education the role of libraries are also changing specially the academic libraries.

### **Changing role of Academic Libraries:**

1. An academic library is no more a store house of knowledge; it now acts as a learning resource center.
2. Information literacy programs are among the primary concerns of the academic libraries now. Librarians are providing information literacy over the networked environment using interactive tutorials.
3. Libraries are implementing ICT in its day to day activities like E-prints, cross search etc.
4. Academic libraries are now providing professional assistance irrespective of location and time electronically. Web-based reference service enables students and faculty to get seamless access to relevant resources on a 24/7 service.



5. Academic libraries are a significant link in the chain of information, a link that is not only mediatory, but also assists in the creation and distribution of high quality, current and reliable academic information.

**Role of Academic Librarians in e-Learning:**

Now a days academic librarians are a part of e-learning process and are actively participating by providing online and in person modules, guides, as well as reference (synchronous and e-mail).The librarians offer research strategies, help students in determining useful scholarly resources, work with the faculty in planning and developing distance education courses to integrate concepts of information literacy throughout the curriculum.

**Conclusion:**

Ever since faculty and instructors have begun to adapt e-learning strategies as part of their teaching program libraries are playing a key role by way of helping to find and organize resources to complement programs and courses making use of e-learning and to provide support as students work their way through their assignments.

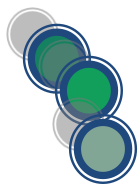
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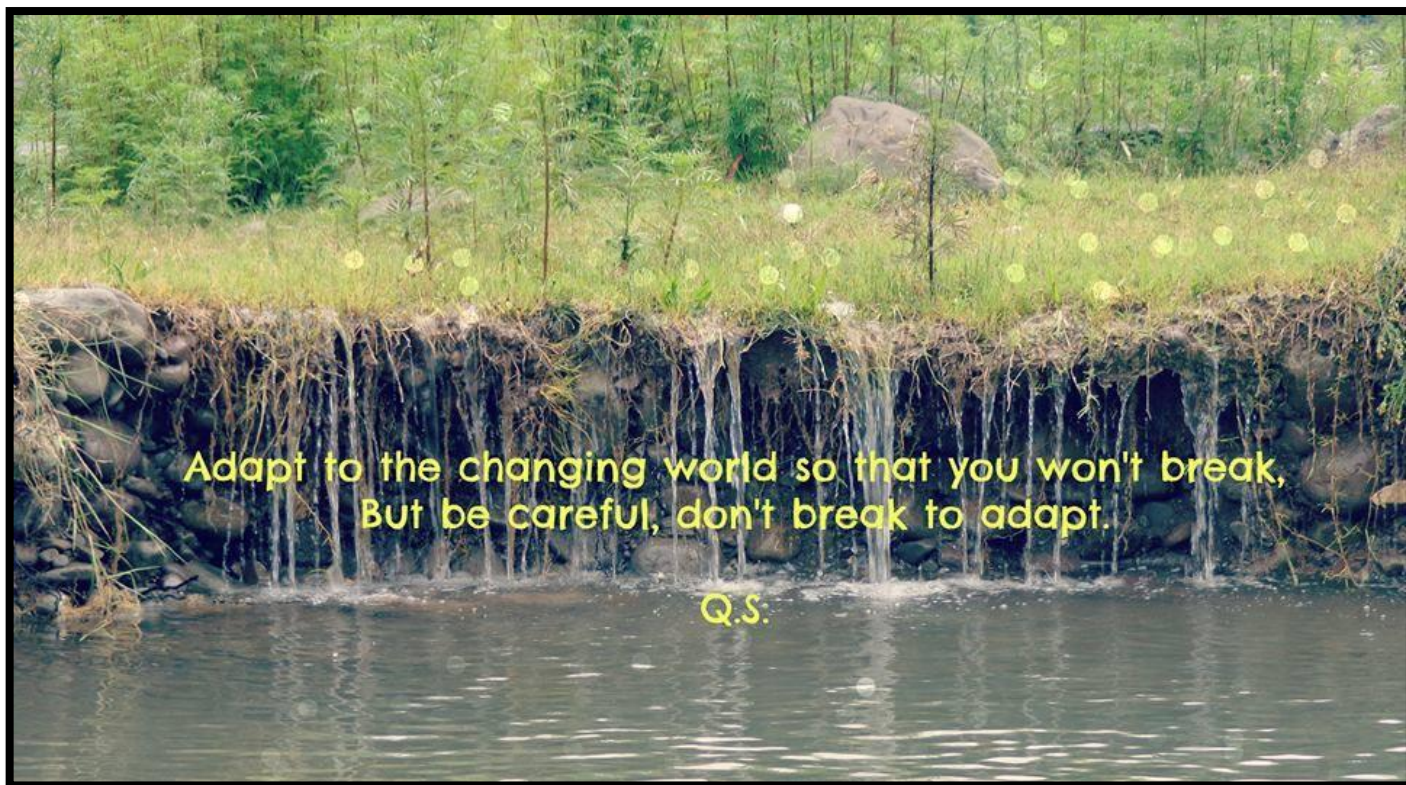
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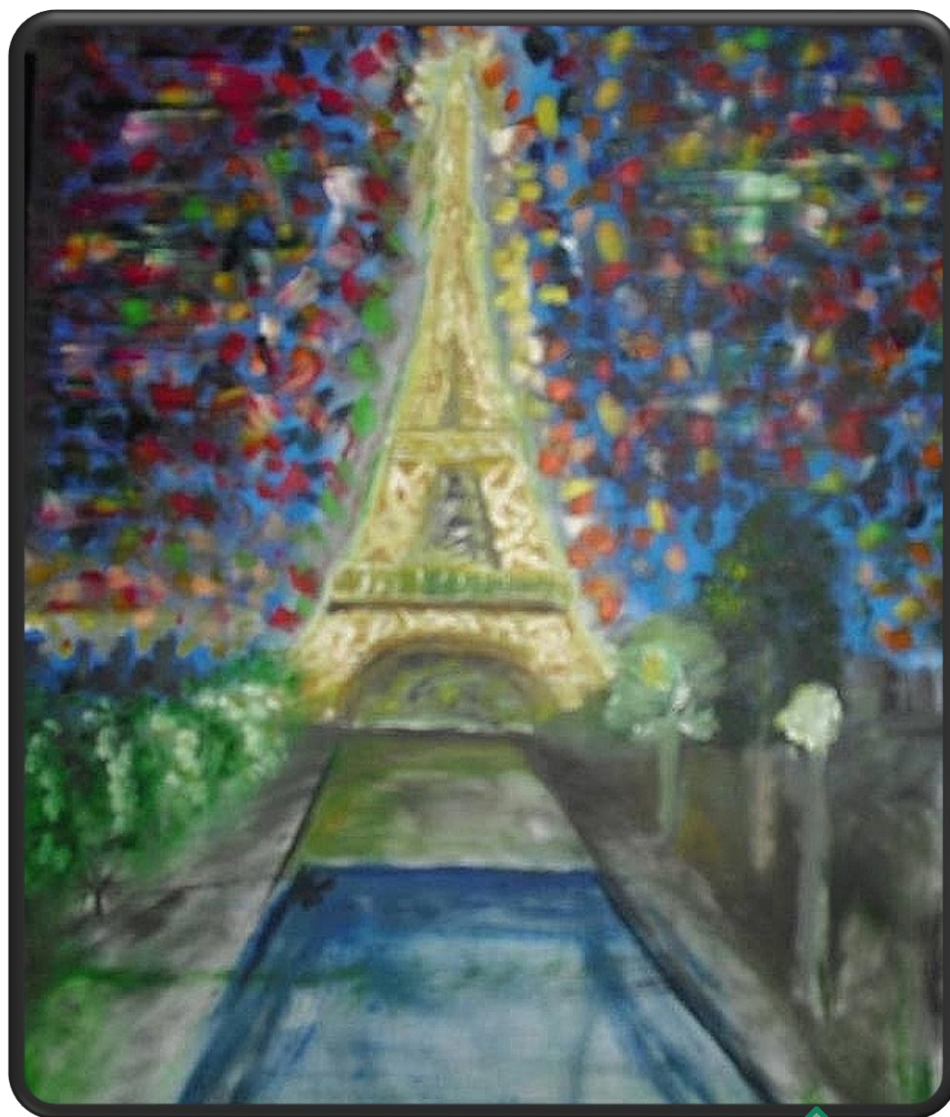
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Artistic Expressions



Fatima Shah  
Batch 22

