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Cooperation



IN
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HOLDING A GRADUATION CEREMONY FOR THE VIETNAMESE LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL EXPERIENCE PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON AND AMERICAN COUNCILS

On December 6, 2024, VNU University of Languages and International Studies (VNU-ULIS) hosted the graduation ceremony for the first Vietnamese Language and Cultural Experience Program designed for students from University of Wisconsin-Madison (USA) and the American Councils.



In his opening remarks, Vice President Hoa Ngoc Son expressed his heartfelt gratitude to the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the American Councils for collaborating with VNU-ULIS to organize this meaningful and enriching exchange program. Dr. Hoa Ngoc Son noted that this was the first Vietnamese language and cultural experience program for students from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and American Councils.

He also emphasized the significance of the four-month program, which allowed students to immerse themselves in Vietnamese culture, mainly through the "homestay" experience. He expressed his desire for long-term cooperation to promote Vietnamese culture and language.



During the program, five outstanding students delivered speeches in Vietnamese, expressing their gratitude to the University of Wisconsin-Madison, American Councils, and VNU-ULIS for facilitating this exchange program in Vietnam. The students unanimously acknowledged that the four months of study were invaluable for enhancing their understanding of Vietnamese people and culture. They pledged to continue improving their Vietnamese proficiency. At the ceremony, representatives of the university presented certificates of completion to the students.

KING SEJONG INSTITUTE HANOI 2 CONCLUDES THE 2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

On December 11, 2024, King Sejong Institute Hanoi 2, under the Faculty of Korean Language and Culture, VNU University of Languages and International Studies (VNU-ULIS), hosted the closing ceremony for the 2024 academic year.

The event began with a highlight video summarizing King Sejong Institute Hanoi 2's achievements in 2024. Over the past year, the institute has made significant strides in education, training, and cultural promotion activities.



Following this, scholarships and certificates were awarded to students with outstanding achievements during the academic year. These awards not only recognized their efforts but also motivated them to secure even greater accomplishments in the upcoming year.



The ceremony concluded with the "Quiz on Korea" game, featuring questions about Korean traditional and contemporary culture and arts. The lively and enthusiastic atmosphere brought a fitting end to a successful year for King Sejong Institute Hanoi 2.

STRENGTHENING COLLABORATION WITH SAGA UNIVERSITY (JAPAN)

On December 12, 2024, VNU University of Languages and International Studies (VNU-ULIS) welcomed a delegation from Saga University (Japan) for a working visit.

Speaking at the working session, Vice President Hoa Ngoc Son expressed great delight in hosting the delegation from Saga University, a particularly cherished institution for him personally, as well as for the Faculty of Japanese Language and Culture and VNU-ULIS. Over 14 years of collaboration, the two institutions had cultivated a robust partnership across various fields. Dr. Hoa Ngoc Son extended his gratitude to Saga University for training many excellent faculty members and staff for VNU-ULIS.

He also expressed hope that both sides would continue exploring opportunities for collaboration in areas such as faculty exchanges, transfer programs, joint seminars, and research initiatives.



On behalf of Saga University, Vice President Ohshima Kazusato thanked VNU-ULIS for the warm reception. He commended the strong and effective partnership between the two institutions and shared updates on Saga University's progress in education, scientific research, and international collaboration.

The program concluded with representatives from both sides exchanging ideas and discussing potential areas for future cooperation.



ULIS LECTURER WINS SECOND PRIZE AT THE 2024 INTERNATIONAL RUSSIAN LANGUAGE TEACHERS' OLYMPIAD

From December 10 to 12, the second International Russian Language Teachers' Olympiad was successfully held by the Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University in Kaliningrad, Russia. The event brought together over 100 teachers from 30 countries, including Vietnam, Serbia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Armenia, and many others.

Ms. Luu Thi Nam Ha, a lecturer from Faculty of Russian Language and Culture at VNU University of Languages and International Studies (VNU-ULIS), proudly represented Vietnam as the country's sole finalist.



Following two intense online competition rounds, the organizers selected the top 10 contestants to participate in the live final round in Kaliningrad.



This achievement not only elevated the standing of VNU-ULIS and Vietnam within the global Russian language teaching community but also inspired future generations of educators to pursue knowledge and spread the positive values of education.

AWARDING KEB HANA SCHOLARSHIPS 2024 TO 25 STUDENTS OF FACULTY OF KOREAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

On December 17, 2024, VNU University of Languages and International Studies (VNU-ULIS) held a ceremony to award the 2024 KEB Hana Scholarships to Faculty of Korean Language and Culture students. These scholarships are sponsored by KEB Hana Bank (South Korea).

Speaking at the event, Vice President Hoa Ngoc Son thanked the KEB Hana Scholarship Fund for its meaningful and practical contributions to Korean language training at the university over the years. He highlighted how the fund's support had provided material and spiritual encouragement, enabling students to study more effectively. This initiative also strengthens the cooperative and friendly relationship between KEB Hana Bank and VNU-ULIS, as well as between Vietnam and South Korea more broadly.



Cho Han Kyu, General Director of KEB Hana Bank's Hanoi branch, congratulated the scholarship recipients. He hoped these scholarships would facilitate better learning opportunities, helping students build their future and achieve their dreams. He emphasized that these students would become significant contributors to Vietnam's development.



During the ceremony, the General Director of KEB Hana Bank's Hanoi branch presented the scholarships on behalf of the KEB Hana Scholarship Fund. In return, Vice President Hoa Ngoc Son presented a commemorative gift and a letter of thanks from VNU-ULIS to the bank's representative.

HOLDING A CEREMONY TO PROMOTE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SUB-ASSOCIATION FOR KOREAN LANGUAGE RESEARCH AND TEACHING IN VIETNAM

On December 18, 2024, VNU University of Languages and International Studies (VNU-ULIS), in collaboration with the Korean Language Center in Ho Chi Minh City (under the Korean Ministry of Education), organized a ceremony to promote the establishment of the Sub-Association for Korean Language Research and Teaching in Vietnam.

The event welcomed representatives from VNU-ULIS, the Korean Language Center in Ho Chi Minh City, Ewha Womans University, the Korea Foundation for International Exchange in Vietnam, YBM Korea, the Linguistics Society of Vietnam, and various Vietnamese institutions offering Korean language programs.



Associate Professor Nguyen Lan Trung and Dr. Tran Thi Huong emphasized the Sub-Association's pivotal role in fostering research and cultural exchange related to the Korean language and culture. The Sub-Association plans to host academic conferences, invite international experts, and publish specialized materials.

The program featured a sharing session on experiences from the Japanese Language Sub-Association, a presentation by Professor Lee Hae Young on Korean language education, and the donation of books. The ceremony concluded with networking activities and a group photo session to commemorate the event.

VNU-ULIS COLLABORATES WITH YBM EDU (SOUTH KOREA)

On December 18, 2024, VNU University of Languages and International Studies (VNU-ULIS) welcomed and held a working session with representatives from YBM EDU, a leading provider of English language education products and services in South Korea.

During the meeting, Vice President Hoa Ngoc Son expressed his delight at the opportunity to work with YBM EDU. He highlighted the university's long-standing expertise in English and Korean language education and proposed initiating concrete collaborations, particularly in training programs and student scholarship offerings.



On behalf of YBM EDU, Mr. Lee Chang Sik affirmed the company's readiness to support the university's training efforts with their expertly curated educational resources. He welcomed the university's proposals and strongly desired to build a sustainable, long-term partnership.



Both sides discussed specific directions for future cooperation during the meeting.



**SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH
AND
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HOLDING AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON “NEW STUDIES IN ARABIC LANGUAGE AND CULTURE TEACHING”

On December 18, 2024, VNU University of Languages and International Studies (VNU-ULIS) organized the international conference “New Studies in Arabic Language and Culture Teaching” to commemorate International Arabic Language Day, assess research activities, and prepare for the university’s 70th anniversary. The event gathered scholars and researchers from Vietnam and abroad.

The presentations focused on the history of teaching Arabic, Arabic culture, Vietnam-Arab relations, the application of AI in Arabic language research, communication skills, and challenges in learning the language. Highlights included a presentation by Ambassador Nguyen Quang Khai on the demand for Arabic language training and Dr. Majid Abdul Aziz on the role of AI in language research.

Vice President Lam Quang Dong delivered the closing remarks, praising the high quality of the research presented and expressing the hope that the Department of Arabic Language and Culture would continue to innovate and improve the quality of training. The conference also allowed students to hone their skills through live translation activities during the event.



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ORGANIZING A GRADUATION CEREMONY FOR BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAM – SECOND DEGREE IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE STUDIES (QH2022 COHORT 1)

On November 30, 2024, VNU University of Languages and International Studies (VNU-ULIS) held the graduation ceremony for students of the Second Bachelor's Degree Program in English Language Studies (QH2022 Cohort 1) under the continuing education format.

In her congratulatory speech, Vice President Ha Le Kim Anh extended heartfelt congratulations to 91 graduates, reflecting on their 30-month academic journey filled with challenges and memorable moments.



She encouraged the new graduates to consider this milestone a stepping stone for greater achievements ahead. She also expressed gratitude to the department's dedicated faculty members for their unwavering support throughout the program.

Anh Khóa QH.2022 đợt 1 - Chương trình



During the event, representatives from the university leadership and the Department of Foreign Language Training and Education Development presented graduation certificates to 91 graduates, marking a significant accomplishment in their academic and professional journeys.

ULIS WELCOMES OFFICIAL ASSESSORS FOR ACCREDITATION OF MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH TEACHING METHODOLOGY PROGRAM

On December 4, 2024, VNU University of Languages and International Studies (VNU-ULIS), in collaboration with the Center for Education Accreditation—Vinh University (CEA), conducted an official external evaluation of the Master of Arts in English Teaching Methodology Program (MATEL)

During the opening session, Dr. Nguyen Xuan Long, President of VNU-ULIS, expressed his gratitude to CEA and the assessors for accrediting the MATEL program. He emphasized the university's commitment to quality enhancement and expressed hope for constructive recommendations to improve the program further.



Representing CEA, Dr. Nguyen Dinh Huy praised VNU-ULIS for its dedication to quality assurance. He acknowledged the university's efforts in completing a self-assessment report for the MATEL program and initiating the external evaluation process.



Following the opening session, the evaluation team carried out detailed activities, including reviewing evidence files, conducting interviews, collecting feedback from stakeholders, and inspecting facilities supporting the program. These activities aimed to assess the program's compliance with quality standards and provide insights for its continued improvement.