01 November 2010

1. **From Brother Robert Smith / Vice President for Academic Affairs**
   Thanks to BU Community from Brother Robert
   I am deeply grateful to the members of the Bethlehem University community—students, staff, faculty, administration, Trustees, Regents, friends and partners—for their many expressions of sympathy, prayers, and support at the time of my brother’s illness and death. Your notes, emails, cards, prayers, the Memorial Mass, and sincere expressions of care and concern are appreciated greatly by me, my family, and my brother’s family. Thank you so very much for your support and care at this time of grief and sorrow, but yet also a time of hope and trust in our all-compassionate and loving God. Brother Robert

2. **From the Office of the Assistant Vice President for Academic affairs**
   We would like to draw your attention to the new announcement that we have posted on the “Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs” webpage:
   - Brigham Young University/ Provo – Utah Scholarships for BAs and MAs for 2011 - 2012. Deadline Monday 27 December.

3. **From the Coordinator of Institutional Values**
   There will be an orientation for new faculty and staff which will take place on Friday, 5 November; it will begin at 2:00p.m. and end with refreshments and pastry being served at 4:00p.m. We will meet in Al Waha in the Social Cultural Center.

4. **From the Computer Information Systems Department**
   - Microsoft Tech Day @ BU Thursday, 4 November from 9:00a.m. until 1:00p.m. As a main activity of the 2010 Expotech Technology Week in Palestine, Microsoft in cooperation with PICTI and Bethlehem University, is having a technical day at BU at Sansour Hall. This day will feature the launching of the Imagine Cup Competition 2011 in Palestine as well as introducing Microsoft new technologies and product. They will also discuss with faculty members ways of cooperation and introduce the Microsoft IT Academy which is a subscription-based membership program designed to help academic institutions. We encourage students as well as faculty members to attend. To see the agenda of the event and to register to attend, please visit [www.bethlehem.edu](http://www.bethlehem.edu)
   - Congratulation to CIS student Issa Jacaman for being selected by Microsoft to be the BU Microsoft Student Partner (MSP). The MSP will work in partnership with Microsoft to reach out to students, helping at Microsoft events and running events on campus for students to attend.
   - Congratulations to the CIS graduate Rawan Gedeon for attending the Multidisciplinary Intensive Course with 14 graduates of 7 Palestinian universities in Italy from Monday, 6 September until Friday, 22 October. The course was organized by the University of Siene in cooperation with six other Italian universities.

5. **From the Institute for Community Partnership**
   ICP is pleased to invite you to the graduation ceremony for “Public Administration, Cooperative Management and Project Management” Professional Diplomas, on Wednesday, 3 November from 2:00p.m. until 5:00p.m. at Dr. Sansour Hall – Social and Cultural Center / Bethlehem University.

6. **Your Calendar**

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**Sat. Nov. 13**

Make up for Friday, 17 December

**Mon. Nov. 15**

Holiday- Palestinian Independence Day

**Tue.- Fri. Nov. 16-19**

Holiday- Aid al-Adha

**Tue. Dec. 7**

Holiday- Al-Hijra

**Thu. Dec. 16**

Final day of classes for Fall Semester 2010

**Fri.- Thu. Dec. 17- 23**

Final Exams for Fall Semester 2010

**Fri.- Sun. Dec. 24-26**

Holiday- Latin Christmas

**Year 2011**

**Sat. Jan. 1**

Holiday- Latin New Year- National Holiday

**Mon. Jan. 3**

Grades Reports Available

**Tue. Jan. 4**

Accepted to Major- Dismissals

**Wed. Jan. 5**

Print Grade Report

**Thu.- Sat. Jan. 6-8**

Holiday- Orthodox Christmas

**Sat-Thu Jan 8-13**

Holy Land Co-ordination 2011 Solidarity Visit

**Thu. Jan. 13**

4th Year Student Registration for Spring 2011 Semester, Registrars’ Office

**Fri. Jan. 14**

Holiday- Orthodox New Year

**Mon. Jan. 17**

3rd Year Student Registration for Spring 2011 Semester, Registrars’ Office

**Tue. Jan. 18**

2nd Year Student Registration for Spring 2011 Semester, Registrars’ Office

**Wed. Jan. 19**

2nd Year Student Registration for Spring 2011 Semester, Registrars’ Office

**Thu. Jan. 20**

1st Year Student Registration for Spring 2011 Semester, Registrars’ Office

**Fri. Jan. 21**

Faculty and Staff Meeting

**Mon. Jan. 24**

First Day of Class for Spring 2011 Semester

**Mon.-Mon. Jan. 24-31**

Add/Drop Period

**Wed.-Fri Feb. 9-11**

The Third International Conference on Christian-Muslim Relations, The Department of Religious Studies

**Tue. Feb. 15**

Holiday- Al-Mawlid An-Nabawi

**Thu.- Mon. Apr. 21-25**

Holiday- Latin and Orthodox Easter

**Sun. May 1**

Holiday- Labor Day

**Sun. May 15**

Holiday- Saint De La Salle Day, Staff Recognition

**Mon.-Mon. May 16- 23**

Final Exams for Spring 2011 Semester

**Thu. Jun. 9**

Graduation

**Fri. Jun. 10**

Graduation

**Mon. Jun. 13**

Summer 2011 Semester Classes Begin

**Tue. Jun. 28**

Holiday- Isra’ wa Mi’raj

**Tue.- Wed. Jul. 26- 27**

Final Exams for Spring 2011 Semester
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