## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND APPLIED SCIENCES

# STRATEGIC PLAN



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**Dhofar University** 

College of Arts and Applied Sciences

#### **ABOUT CAAS**

#### **VISION**

CAAS aspires to be a leading and renowned college in the region for its high-quality teaching and learning, impactful research, and cutting-edge innovation while actively engaging with the community to make a positive impact.

#### **MISSION**

CAAS is committed to providing a transformative educational experience that empowers our students to excel in their academic endeavors, fosters a passion for lifelong learning, and equip them to become leaders in their fields.



#### **ABOUT CAAS**

#### **CAAS Core Values**

- Academic Progress
- Individual and Social Responsibility
- Life-long Learning
- Proactive Citizenship

#### **Departments**

The College of Arts and Applied Sciences (CAAS) is composed of six departments:

- The Department of Arabic Language & Literature
- The Department of Computer Science
- The Department of Education
- The Department of English Language and Literature
- The Department of Mathematics and Sciences
- The Department of Social Sciences



#### **DEAN'S MESSAGE**



CAAS prides itself on its deep commitment to provide each student, who passes through the doors of DU, with a comprehensive education in arts, sciences, critical thinking, creativity, imagination and innovation, and the expression of complex ideas in a non-complex manner. CAAS faculty members always encourage the students to work on their own and develop their knowledge of the subject and functional skills through a wide variety of learner-friendly, challenging, innovative, and motivating tasks and activities that significantly contribute to the development of their intellectual, social and emotional skills.

Beyond the core curricula, students who choose CAAS as their home for study will find the broadest range of academic disciplines that CAAS offers. Students may explore their course of study in any of our 6 academic departments and 26 interdisciplinary diploma, Bachelor's and Master's programs. Our students in CAAS take pride in a robust curricular and extracurricular community, with a wide range of students-led-activities, clubs, community service groups, etc.

We have invested immensely in students' holistic intellectual and personal development. You will find our national and internationally renowned faculty to be highly focused on student success! Should you join CAAS family, you will meet with wise mentors, loyal friends, and a community that will last a lifetime.

Dr. Khalid Al Mashikhi Dean, CAAS Dhofar University



#### **GOALS**

#### **COLLEGE OF ARTS AND APPLIED SCIENCES**

#### GOAL 1

Prepare quality
graduates with
knowledge, skills
and values to
meet
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#### GOAL 2

Promote
Research and
Innovation of
National
Relevance
With Focus on
Dhofar Region



#### GOAL 3

Expand community and industry engagement



#### GOAL 4

Ensure good governance and effective management





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#### **GOALS**

#### **COLLEGE OF ARTS AND APPLIED SCIENCES**

#### GOAL 5

Sustain financial stability of the college



#### GOAL 6

Enhance
human
resources
capabilities
and
productivity
in a conducive
work
environment



#### GOAL 7

Enrich students' campus life experience



#### GOAL 8

Expand general support services



Enhance the international profile of the college







Prepare quality graduates with knowledge, skills and values to meet labour market requirements and societal aspiration

- Ensure effective planning and management of CAAS academic programs.
- 1.2 Ensure that CAAS academic programs and curricula are regularly reviewed and updated.
- Enhance active learning experience of students.
- Ensure effectiveness of assessment tools, methods and moderation practices.
- Strengthen institutional culture of academic integrity.
- Strengthen and monitor student work placement.
- Accomplish national and international program accreditations and maintain institutional accreditation.



Promote Research and Innovation of National Relevance With Focus on Dhofar Region

- 2.1 Strengthen supportive environment for research.
- Foster innovative research with focus on 'Dhofar Region'.
- Encourage multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary research.
- Enhance collaborative research with industry, government agencies, HEIs and international research agencies.
- 2.5 Uphold ethical standards in research.
- Strengthen research-teaching nexus to enhance students' learning experience.



**Expand community and industry engagement** 

- Bolster relationship with industry, employers and governmental organizations.
- Engage with the community through Community Service and Continuing Education Center (CSCEC) and CAAS activities.
- Build a collaborative network with other education providers, professional bodies and associations.
- Promote active involvement of alumni in CAAS activities.



**Ensure good governance and effective management** 

- Enhance the effectiveness of Policy Management System.
- Ensure effective coordination among various CAAS Departments.
- 4.3 Reinforce Risk Management System.
- Ensure the Alignment of CAAS Operational plan to DU Strategic and Operational Plan.



Sustain financial stability of the college

- Optimize utilization of CAAS's financial resources.
- 5.2 Strive to diversify sources of revenue.



Enhance human resources capabilities and productivity in a conducive work environment

- 6.1 Attract and recruit duly qualified faculty and staff.
- 6.2 Strengthen professional development activities.
- 6.3 Provide an attractive work environment for faculty and staff.
- Ensure regular, systematic and fair appraisal of faculty and staff.
- 6.5 Strive for Omanisation of faculty.



Enrich students' campus life experience

- 7.1 Enhance the effectiveness of academic advising.
- Strength ties with LSC to provide a wide range of learning support activities to students.
- 7.3 Enhance career advisory services.
- Fortily ties with student counselling centre to provide counselling services.
- Nurture a culture of engaging in social and recreational activities on and off campus through DSA.
- Ensure fair, impartial and transparent resolution of student grievance.
- Develop CAAS into a leading college for higher education of students with disabilities in Oman.



**Expand general support services** 

- Ensure health and safety of stakeholders in CAAS.
- Strengthen public relations and marketing activities for CAAS.



Enhance the international profile of the college

- 9.1 Strengthen activities of international cooperation.
- 9.2 Endeavour to attract and recruit international students.
- 9.3 Strive for inclusion in the QS world university ranking.
- 9.4 Promote CAAS as a brand for quality education and innovative research.





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