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during 2020*

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Even in difficult times, AAB College's noble goals of quality, leadership and success remain unshaken

**Bujar
Demjaha**
Rector



Higher education in Kosovo and abroad has historically faced many challenges, but 2020 in particular will be remembered as a very difficult year. During this year, in our country, over 50 thousand citizens were infected with Covid-19, of which, 1,300 ended in fatality. Despite the difficult conditions, AAB College continued to adhere to its mission by offering quality higher education and science programs. AAB College did not stop contributing to the advancement, creation and dissemination of knowledge through scientific research in order to improve the well-being and health of the people, while also helping with the cultural, social and economic development in Kosovo, the region and beyond. International and local conferences, and open lectures with diplomats from many missions located in Kosovo were organized. Even in these difficult conditions, in spite of the isolation, many cooperation agreements were signed with local and international universities and institutions. AAB College, as an institution that already favors digitalization, during 2020 saw the opportunity to take it to the next level.

After the announcement of the Covid-19 pandemic safety measures by our government, AAB College was amongst the first institutions to switch to distance learning. This new way of learning was made possible by the valuable team of the software development department of AAB College in collaboration with our students and academic staff.

2020 will be remembered as the year of COVID-19 and Joe Biden's victory over Donald Trump, but AAB College will also remember it as a victory over the "invisible enemy".

Successful people distinguish themselves in difficult times!

JANUARY 2020

FACULTY OF ECONOMICS ORGANIZES STUDENT CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS YOUTH EMPLOYMENT ISSUES

8 January 2020



In order to elaborate on youth employment issues, the Faculty of Economics of AAB College has opened the call for participation in the Student Conference “Challenges of Youth Employment in Transition: Qualification-Employment-Advancement”.

The one-day conference took place at AAB College in Prishtina, and it was mainly dedicated to the participation of master’s students.

The focus of this conference was on: Active and passive labor market policies in Kosovo; Managing challenges in the knowledge-based economy; “Big Data” – the new era of marketing.

The conference was held on 08 February 2020.



REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ERASMUS + OFFICE IN KOSOVO VISIT AAB COLLEGE

8 January 2020



Representatives of the Erasmus + Office in Kosovo, Jehona Lushaku Sadriu and Blerinë Zjaça, today visited AAB College. They were hosted by the representatives of AAB College, Bujar Demjaha and Gëzim Shabani. the purpose of the visit was to discuss opportunities for closer cooperation focusing on the support of AAB College by intensifying international cooperation with the higher education institutions in the EU countries.

Erasmus + is a European Union education program aimed at modernizing education systems and adapting them to the needs of the ever-changing labor market and world.

SOCIAL SCIENCES STUDENTS OF AAB COLLEGE VISIT HANDIKOS CENTER IN GJAKOVA

8 Janar 2020



The first year students of AAB College, Faculty of Social Sciences, of the Child Care and Welfare program, together with teacher Violeta Buza visited the Hendikos Center in Gjakova.

The students were informed by Mr. Arber Xharra and Mrs. Ilirjana Luzha about the work around the center and the activities carried out with children and adults.

The Hendikos Center provides rehabilitation services for people with physical and social difficulties, and other disabilities. The center offers services for individuals in need twice a week, while group services which serve to help with socialization and development of the children and adults are offered once a week. The Portage and Heart plan is used to assist children develop and help them learn, practice and have fun through art, music, etc.

THE WINTER SCHOOL FOR CYBER SECURITY CONCLUDED WITH THE DISTRIBUTION OF GRATITUDE TO THE PARTICIPANTS

10 January 2020

The Winter School for Cyber Security & Privacy, organized by the Faculty of Computer Science and ICT Academy, which was attended by dozens of

participants, has concluded its work with the awarding ceremony of certificates and gratitude to attendees.



HIGH INTEREST OF AAB COLLEGE STUDENTS TO DONATE BLOOD

11 January 2020



In co-operation with the Kosovo National Center for Blood Transfusion (KCBTG), at AAB College the event for voluntary blood donation by students and staff began under the motto: "Donate blood, save lives".

The event coordinator, teacher Teuta Bujupi said that from the beginning of today's event there was a great readiness of students, academic staff and others to contribute.

AAB TEACHER ALBIN XHARRA PUBLISHES FIRST BOOK ON MONTAGE IN ALBANIAN

13 January 2020

Teacher Albin Xharra, who has extensive professional experience in the field of editing, has published the book “Editing: The Secret Art of Film”, a book dedicated to students and professionals in the field. The book gives detailed explanations on montage as one of the indispensable aspects in film and media, ranging from history, rules of use, its types, rhythm, correct and wrong actions to take, and many other complementary elements. The book’s editor is a well-known BaH professor, Zijad Mehic.



ANOTHER PROFESSOR AT AAB COLLEGE OBTAINS HER DOCTORATE IN THE DOMAIN OF SOCIOLINGUISTICS

15 January 2020

Uranela Demaj, Vice Dean at Faculty of English Language at AAB College, obtained her doctorate degree at Ghent University, on 12 December 2019, titled Language, ethnic identity and conflict in the historical urban Linguistic landscapes in Prishtina.

Kosovo. Ghent University is ranked at no. 66 according to the Shangai rankings, and therefore occupies a place in the top 100 best universities in the world.

The full text can be accessed at the following link:
<http://bit.ly/30I2cae>



BUJAR DEMJAHA APPOINTED RECTOR OF AAB COLLEGE

15 January 2020

The Board of Directors of AAB College, the highest governing body of the institution, based on its competencies has today appointed Bujar Demjaha to the position of Rector of AAB College.

Demjaha will succeed the current rector, Lulzim Tafa, who, after the end of his second term in the rectorial post, was appointed Chairman of the Governing Council by a majority vote.



Bujar Demjaha, is a well-known name in the world of academia in Kosovo and beyond, specializing in the field of architecture and urbanism. He completed his doctorate in architecture at the University of Sarajevo, and received his doctorate of science at the Vienna University of Technology, in the field of architecture and spatial planning.

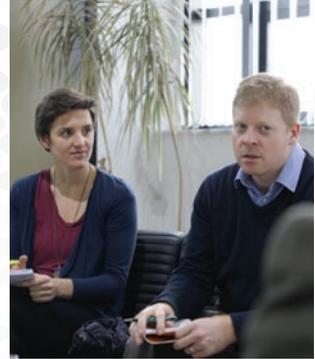
In addition to his academic engagement as a professor of architecture at AAB College, the University of Prishtina and the State University of Tetova, Demjaha has also held important public positions as: Director of Urban and Regional Planning at the Provisional Government of Kosovo, Chief of Technology MEST Section, Integrated Planning Project Coordinator at MCYS, and dozens of other positions.

He has published dozens of books, monographs and scientific papers in prestigious scientific journals. Demjaha is the winner of several international awards in the field of architecture, including the first prize for the Adem Jashari Memorial Complex in Prekaz. He has implemented hundreds of architectural projects for various school, artistic, administrative, sporting facilities, and has contributed to dozens of projects of conservation and restoration of old buildings in Kosovo.

The objectives of the new rector, in addition to the further development of the largest non-public higher education institution in the country, will also be the internationalization of AAB College.

AAB AND PLAY INTERNATIONAL-JOINT COOPERATION PROJECTS

16 January 2020



A delegation from the PLAY INTERNATIONAL Organization led by the Head of Mission in Kosovo, Andrew Piner, visited AAB College. The delegation was hosted by Rector Bujar Demjaha, Vice-Rector for Learning Shemsedin Vehapi and the Dean of the Faculty of Physical Culture and Sport, Fatmir Pireva. PLAY INTERNATIONAL has been operating in Kosovo since 1999. Through sports activities, this organization strives to find collective solutions to promote the education, inclusion and well-being of everyone regardless of gender, ethnicity or ability.

CHOREOGRAPHY STUDENTS HELD THEIR FIRST PERFORMANCE AT THE AAB THEATER

21 January 2020

Choreography students of AAB College, who are part of the only choreography study program accredited in Kosovo, gave the first public performance for AAB students and staff. They displayed the results of the basics they have learned, including the elements that serve to cast choreography such as the choreographic motif, sculptural poses, and pantomimes.



AMERICAN EXPERT DANIEL BOHANNON LECTURE FOR STUDENTS OF THE FACULTY OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

24 January 2020



As part of the activities on the importance of cyber security in the world today, today's first year students of Computer Science were delivered a lecture by US expert Daniel Bohannon. Daniel Bohannon, works as Principal Applied Security Researcher at FireEye. Inc. He presented to the students the topic "Getting Into InfoSec-Real World Overview".

This conversation and lecture for the students became even more interesting with the students' interactive participation, through their questions and comments.

AAB COLLEGE RANKS FIRST IN THE GOOGLE SCHOLAR AMONG ALL ALBANIAN NON-PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

24 January 2020



Amongst 5,000 universities in the world included in the #TransparentRanking ranking, which relies on Google Scholar data, AAB College remains the only non-public institution in Kosovo to be included in this list.

Rising 200 ranks from the previous edition, AAB College in the January 2020 edition published today, along with the University of Prishtina, which is ranked 1964, remain the only two Albanian institutions included in this ranking.

On the other hand, in this edition, AAB remains the only non-public institution in the Albanian territories that manages to be included in the list of top 5000 world universities.



AAB College continues to be committed to the further development of the research program, supporting projects and research of academic staff and students. This is evidenced by the International Scientific Journal “Thesis”, published by AAB, which is already indexed in about 50 scientific platforms, including: DOAJ, Hrcak, Base Bielefeld, MIAR, Worldcat, etc.

Transparent Ranking, as the top list of universities is called in Google Scholar citations, is published by Spain’s Senior Research Council, which is part of the Cybermetrix LAB research group.

THE WORKING HOURS OF THE AAB UNIVERSITY LIBRARY ARE EXTENDED, UPON STUDENT’S REQUEST

24 January 2020

The AAB College University Library these days has become the most frequented spot on the AAB College campus in Prishtina. Since the early hours of the morning, hundreds of students have taken up their seats in the Library to study and prepare for the January exams that have already begun. Library Director Urim Sallauka says that student demand is extremely high these days: “Since we

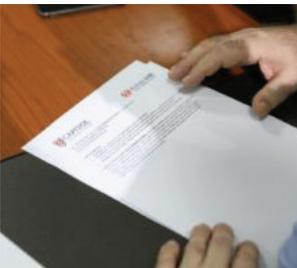
have a growing demand and a large number of students using the library space for study, we have decided to extend the working hours.”

AAB branches in Prishtina and Gjakova both have their libraries available for all students.



AAB SIGNS COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH CAPITOL TECHNOLOGY UNIVERSITY OF USA

28 January 2020



A cooperation agreement was signed between AAB College and Capitol Technology University, Maryland, USA. The agreement signed by the rectors of the two respective institutions, Dr. sc. Bujar Demjaha and Prof. Dr. Bardford Sims, aim to leverage the expertise and resources of both institutions to enhance the quality of academic programs and create a path for collaboration

and information exchange between faculty and graduate students at Capitol Technology and AAB College.

In addition to the student exchange program, infrastructure capacity development, and the development of a “Cyber Center”, CTU will also accept AAB College graduates of master’s and doctoral programs under the rules and obligations set by this university.

THE GLOBAL GAME JAM 2020 EVENT KICKS OFF TOMORROW AT AAB COLLEGE PREMISES

30 January 2020



AAB College will be one of the key partners in the second edition of the global video game creation event, Global Game Jam 2020.

This event in which Kosovo is participating for the second time is organized by Girls Coding Kosova, and will be held from 31 January – 02 February 2020.

The event is a Hackathon to be held at AAB College, where participants must create their own games within 48 hours and publish them online on the official Global Game Jam website.

Global Game Jam is the largest game creation event in the world, with 119 countries and over 30,000 registered participants so far.



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FEBRUARY 2020

7 NEW GAMES WERE CREATED AS PART OF THE GLOBAL GAME JAM 2020 HELD AT AAB COLLEGE

4 February 2020



After 48 hours of uninterrupted work, the Global Game Jam 2020 event concluded. This event that takes place simultaneously in 119 countries around the world, began on January 31 at 5pm and ended on Sunday, February 02, 2020.

Participants of the Global Game Jam 2020 event, that was held for the second time in our country, worked on the creation of computer games under the theme “Repair”, which was the central theme of this edition worldwide. The participants, including AAB students, managed to complete 7 projects (games) that were then published on the official website of GGJ.

Compared to last year, the participation was much higher and the number of projects implemented almost doubled. In this edition of GGJ, the keynote speaker was Chris Avellone – the internationally renowned game designer.

COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH PRESCHOOL INSTITUTION “PORTA E ARTË” SIGNED

4 February 2020



The Faculty of Social Sciences of AAB College today signed a cooperation agreement with the preschool institution “Porta e Artë”. This agreement aims to bring the two institutions together in organizing joint roundtables in the field of preschool education, additional lectures for students, but also their engagement in practical work. The cooperation agreement was signed in the premises of AAB College by the Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Dr. Hysen Kasumi and by the director of the kindergarten Mrs. Filoreta Rafuna.

THE LECTURE “THE IMPORTANCE OF PUBLISHING IN THE WEB OF SCIENCE AND SCOPUS PLATFORM MAGAZINES” WAS HELD TODAY

7 February 2020

Today at AAB “Scientist of the Year, 2019”, Dr. Driton Vela held a lecture on “The Importance of Publishing in the Web of Science and Scopus Platform Magazines”. Issues such as the importance of publishing in journals with high impact factors, the importance attached to them, the rankings according to these parameters in Kosovo and the region, were some of the topics breached that were then discussed between the lecturer Vela and a group of AAB College professors.



Dr. Vela was selected MEST Scientist of the Year last year, and has published dozens of papers on journals with high impact factor and from prestigious publishers, such as Nature, Elsevier, Sprinder, etc. He also is a peer-reviewer for high impact factor journals such as “Trends In Biochemical Sciences” (IF: 16.9), “Medicinal Research Reviews” (IF: 9.8), “Theranostics” (IF: 8.1) etc.

GENTIANA URUQI ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE AAB STUDENT UNION

7 February 2020

Following a transparent, student-led electoral process, the new AAB College Student Union presidency was elected.

Representatives elected by all faculties in all three branches of AAB College, at the constitutive meeting held on February 06, 2020, elected the leaders of this independent body, which will have a two-year term.

At the head of the AAB Student Union for the next two years, will be student Gentiana Uruqi of the Faculty of Public Administration. The Union has also elected Vice Presidents for all three branches: Rinor Murati from the Faculty of English was elected Vice President for Prishtina, Erëza Selimi from the Faculty of Social Sciences was elected Vice President in the Ferizaj branch and Diellza Hakaj from the Faculty of English, was elected vice president for the Gjakova branch.



The AAB College Student Union will have 22 members, representing all academic units. It is worth noting that this time again the voting process for student elections was special because it was conducted online and the voting results were displayed in real time throughout the process.

FORMER US CONGRESSMAN JERRY WELLER: “AN IDEAL SALESMAN DOESN’T NEED PROPER USE”

12 February 2020

Former US congressman Jerry Weller lectured AAB College students on current American politics.

At the beginning of the lecture, the rector of AAB College, Bujar Demjaha, told the students that he felt different because this speech was dedicated to a person coming from a special place. “America, the country that protected us in 1999 from the humanitarian catastrophe, known for its economic development and above all for being a temple of democracy. We feel honored to have a lecture from Mr. Weller about the current political development in the US,” said Demjaha.

Mr. Jerry Weller spoke about his experience in the US Congress and about US policy implementation.

“You have to know I’m a free trader. When I was in congress, I was very active and promoted bilateral and multilateral agreements between the United States and our trading partners. The challenge for our founders at the time was how to

strike a balance in shaping the US and coexistence for all who want to be part of and want to be treated equally. “



A MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION SIGNED WITH THE KOSOVO ACADEMY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

14 February 2020

With the aim of long-term and sustainable cooperation between the two institutions to support their strategic objectives in the field of higher education, research and development, the rector of AAB College, Dr.sc. Bujar Demjaha and the Director of the Kosovo Academy for Public Safety, Mr. Ismajl Smaqiqi signed a cooperation agreement. This agreement foresees the development and mutual cooperation in enhancing the quality and academic, professional capacities, exchange of experiences and knowledge in the field of higher education.



The agreement also foresees cooperation in the development of joint research projects as well as the organization of joint academic and scientific activities, such as seminars, symposiums, conferences, exchange of publications and other materials of common interest. This agreement will benefit both academic staff and students of both institutions, providing them with practical work and study visits.

ONCE AGAIN, AAB STUDENTS WILL PROVIDE ICT SERVICES IN “WEEK OF WOMEN”

14 February 2020



Students of AAB College will be in support of the “Week of Women” activity organized annually by the National Democratic Institute (NDI).

Students Arlind Veliu, Ermir Shabani, Albina Prokshi and Lirigzona Millaku will maintain the current NDI system our students had created in previous years as well as create a web application with the new format for the “Week of Women” event.

In a reception organized at NDI premises, the program coordinator Pajtim Gashi informed the students engaged in this project about the activity of the organization and expressed gratitude to the students who have contributed in previous editions.

A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED BETWEEN THE DEBATE CENTER AND THE FACULTY OF MASS COMMUNICATION

14 February 2020



In AAB College a Memorandum of Understanding between the Mass Communication Faculty and the Debate Center was signed.

Through the agreement signed by the Dean of the Faculty of Mass Communication, Dr. Sc. Resul Sinani and Debate Center representative Erblin Hoxha, students of AAB College will now have new opportunities for professional training through investigative journalism in the field of human rights, and also in developing critical thinking.

The main purpose of the signing of this memorandum between the AAB College's Faculty of Mass Communication and Journalism and the Debate Center is to cultivate democratic values through debate on the most fundamental notions of tolerance, cooperation and the right to expression.

KINDERGARTEN “BLETA” NOW PART OF AAB COLLEGE PARTNERS IN FERIZAJ BRANCH

14 February 2020



The Faculty of Social Sciences of AAB College has added a cooperation partner for students of the Ferizaj branch. This cooperation partner is Kindergarten “Bleta”. The cooperation agreement was signed by the branch director of AAB College in Ferizaj, Dr.sc. Medain Hashani and Director of Kindergarten “Bleta”, Mrs. Merit Ajdini.

Through this cooperation, the parties have agreed to contribute towards the development, support and promotion of the educational and vocational sector of both institutions.

ORIENTATION DAY OF THE PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH PROGRAM “ENGLISH FROM ME TO YOU” WAS HELD

19 February 2020



Today was an orientation and presentation day for interns and children was held, as part of the professional internship program “English from me to you” between AAB College’s Faculty of English and SOS Villages Prishtina.

The program consists of a series of English language courses and offers students at AAB the opportunity to pursue their professional internship within a functional program specifically designed to teach English to children in SOS villages.

A MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION SIGNED BETWEEN AAB COLLEGE GJAKOVA AND THE DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION

19 February 2020

AAB College’s branch in Gjakova and the Directorate of Education of the Municipality of Gjakova signed a memorandum of cooperation.

Through this agreement, signed by the Director of AAB College in Gjakova, Rifat Haxhija and the Director of Education of Gjakova Municipality, Bernard Frrokaj, the students of AAB College will now have new opportunities for practical

and professional training in school institutions of Gjakova Municipality. The agreement makes it easier for students in the Social Sciences, Directing Care and Welfare program, as well as those in the English language program.



SPORT STUDENTS OF AAB COLLEGE ATTENDING SKIING COURSE AT MAVROVO SKI CENTER

22 February 2020

Students of the Faculty of Physical Culture and Sport at AAB College, like all previous generations, are also attending the skiing course at the Mavrovo Ski Center in North Macedonia. Dozens of students in this course are enjoying the stay with their colleagues, and said that every student should take advantage of the opportunities that AAB College, in particular the Faculty of Physical Culture and Sport, offers for their further preparation Skiing professor Zenel Metaj, as well as other teachers participating in the trip, such as Shkelzen Shala, Arben Maliqi, Blerim Sylejmani and Besim Gashi, said that these trainings are aimed at getting to know skiing techniques because skiing as a sport is very important for students of the Faculty of Physical Education.



Students have been professionally acquainted with skiing techniques, showing excellent performances in the sport, even though skiing is a difficult sport and like any other sport has its own requirements that need to be met.



BULGARIA'S LYUBEN KARAVELOV UNIVERSITY TO RECEIVE ARCHITECTURE GRADUATES OF AAB IN DOCTORAL STUDIES

22 February 2020



Graduates of the Faculty of Architecture and the new teaching staff of AAB College can now pursue doctoral studies at the Faculty of Civil Engineering and Architecture of Lyuben Karavelov University in Sofia, Bulgaria.

Referring to the Agreement on Cooperation and Protocol, signed long ago by the Vice Rector for Teaching, Prof. ass. Dr. Shemsedin Vehapi and rector of Lyuben Karavelov University, Prof. Arch. Borislav Borisov has recently been finalized. This was achieved on the occasion of the visit of the Rector of AAB College, Dr. Sc. Bujar Demjaha and Dean of the Faculty of Architecture, Fitim Aliu, in Sofia, Bulgaria.

In the wake of international collaborations, this agreement paves the way for closer cooperation between the two institutions, with the aim of professional development for students and teaching staff of the Faculty of Architecture.

THE THIRD STUDENT CONFERENCE ON SOCIAL SCIENCES AT AAB COLLEGE IS UNDERWAY

24 February 2020



Organized by the Faculty of Social Sciences at AAB College, for the third time in a row, the Student Conference is being held, where students of this faculty are participating with their research. At the opening of the conference, Dean Hysen Kasumi said he was proud of the students' work and that conferences like this are already a tradition of our academic unit. "This whole conference is about our continuous efforts to raise quality and equip our students with the skills, knowledge and confidence required by the job market when we are not close to them and they will be independent to work without anyone's help" said Kasumi.



COMING FIRST IN HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES – AAB COLLEGE – THE LARGEST BLOOD DONOR AMONGST HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

26 February 2020



AAB College tops the list of higher education institutions nationwide in voluntary blood donation initiatives. Director of the Kosovo National Center for Blood Transfusion, Dr. Bukuriye Zhubi today shared her gratitude to the Faculty of Nursing of AAB College and to the Vice-Dean of Shqipe Tahiri, in appreciation for the organization of all initiatives for voluntary blood donation.

“I can freely say that AAB College is the institution that takes the first place of all other educational institutions for blood donation and we are very pleased about this fact. So, we thank you very much for all the donations so far and we look forward to continuing this tradition with you.” said Zhubi.

GENTIANA URUQI ACCEPTED HER POSITION AS CHAIR OF THE AAB STUDENT UNION

26 February 2020

The inauguration ceremony of the new composition of the AAB College Students' Union was held today at AAB College, in the occasion of handing over of the

position of President of the Union. Former US AAB Chairwoman Flaka Vitaku has resigned from position while Gentiana Uruqi was elected in a transparent voting process. Also present at the ceremony were the Rector of AAB College, Bujar Demjaha and the Vice-Rectors Shemsedin Vehapi and Venera Lljunji.



Gentiana Uruqi, a student of Public Administration, said that she will continue all the activities and goals of the Student Union by addressing the requirements and goals, thus representing all students with dignity. The new composition of the AAB College Student Union has 20 members from all three AAB branches, Pristina, Ferizaj and Gjakova.



REPRESENTATIVES OF HULT INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS SCHOOL AND LEA EDUCATION VISIT AAB COLLEGE

27 February 2020

Representatives of the International School of Business known as HULT International Business School and their representatives in Kosovo LEA

Education visited AAB College where they were welcomed by the Vice-Rector for International Cooperation Venera Lljunji and a group of students. HULT International Business School and LEA Education presented their program and the opportunities for AAB College students to pursue Master's program degrees on one of the campuses of this institution.



HULT International Business School has its campuses in several major world cities: San Francisco, Boston, New York, London, Dubai and Shanghai.

Students from 160 different nations study at this institution, where students have the opportunity to compete for the 1-million-dollar project. The race is focused on climate change and what solutions young people would offer to this problem. The link to get more information about this project is: www.hultprize.org At the end of the meeting it was decided that soon a cooperation agreement would be signed between the two institutions in question.

AAB COLLEGE SIGNS COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH DG İNKA OF TURKEY

27 February 2020

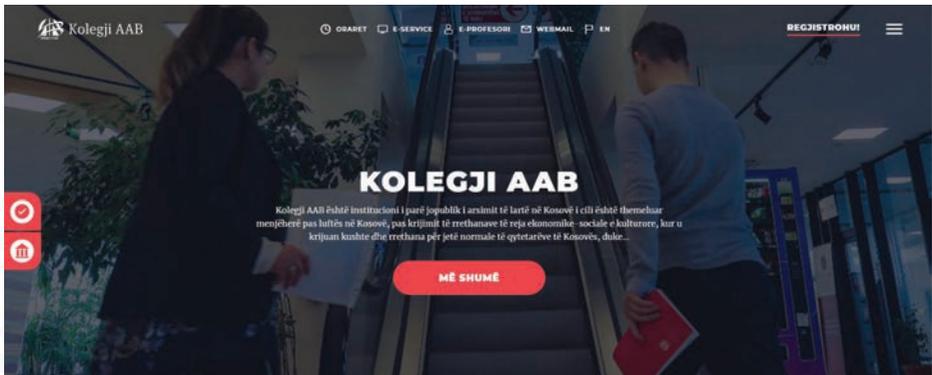
A cooperation agreement was signed between AAB College and Turkey's DG İNKA Company. Agreement signed by the Vice-Rector for International

Cooperation at AAB College, prof.ass.dr. Venera Lljunji and Director of DG KNKA Company, Ibrahim Ertaş aims to seasonally employ students in Turkey.



SUMMER SEMESTER 19/20 BEGINS WITH AAB COLLEGE'S WEBSITE LAUNCH

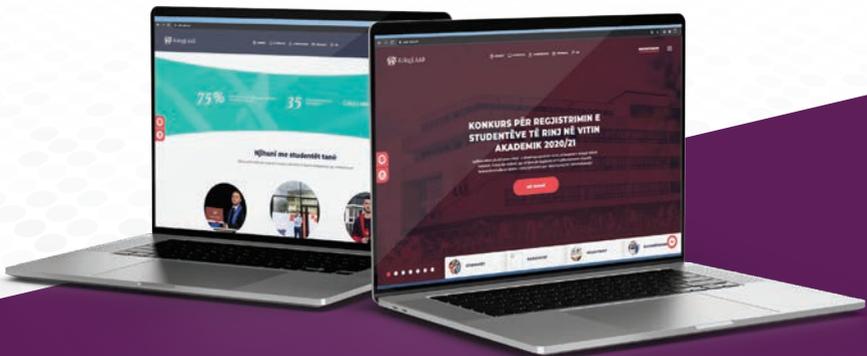
29 February 2020



AAB College, with the start of the summer semester 2019/20, today has also launched the new website. Through our new website, all current students, graduates but also potential students will have the opportunity to inform themselves on the latest about our institution and the study programs we offer.

The new AAB College website is designed to be easily accessible to visitors and users, with particular emphasis on its use by mobile devices. Our new website is offered in both English and Albanian, and will be constantly updated with new information and announcements related to AAB College, and will be accessible anywhere and anytime.

In addition to improving its visual appearance and easier access to data, AAB College continues to meet international standards of operation and transparency.



MARCH 2020

AAB COLLEGE SIGNS AGREEMENT WITH FON UNIVERSITY FROM NORTH MACEDONIA

3 March 2020



In the FON University premises, Skopje, a cooperation agreement was signed between AAB College and FON University.

FON University is the first private university in Macedonia, established in 2003. In addition to its main center in Skopje, FON University operates its branches in Struga, Strumica and Gostivar.

The agreement aims to enhance the quality and academic capacity and to exchange experiences and knowledge in the field of higher education. Part of this agreement will also be joint research projects, organizations of symposiums and conferences, exchanges of lecturers, as well as mutual study visits of students from both sides.

ON THE VERGE OF WOMEN'S DAY, DOWN SYNDROME KOSOVO COMES TO AAB COLLEGE WITH NEW POSTCARDS

4 March 2020

As part of its ongoing activities to contribute to society, AAB College has, once again, opened its doors to the Down Syndrome Kosovo Association.



On the verge of Women's Day, March 8, members of the Down Syndrome Kosovo, under which a vocational training program operates, have brought postcards made by them to AAB College, which are being purchased with keen interest by students and academic staff.

Marigona Kozmaqi, who works as a volunteer at Down Syndrome Kosova, expressed her happiness towards the willingness of AAB College to cooperate with the aim of raising the awareness of society towards those affected with Down Syndrome.

Dionis Ferataj and Qendresa Sadiku welcomed students and peers yesterday who contributed by purchasing products made by friends with Down Syndrome.



STOMATOLOGY STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY MARK DENTIST DAY ACTIVITIES

4 March 2020



About 500 students and staff of AAB College have so far used the free services of Dentistry students, as part of activities organized to mark Dentist Day.

Students, prospective dentists, mentored by teachers Prof. Mimoza Selmani, Prof. Avdyl Shoshi, Prof. Teuta Bicaj and Prof. Bleron Azizi, are conducting free oral examinations in the dental labs at AAB College.

They also indicated that much work has also been done in advising patients on oral health maintenance.

ORAL HEALTH IN KOSOVO RESEARCH PRESENTED

6 March 2020

At a ceremony organized at the AAB Theater “Faruk Begolli”, where the findings of a two-month research on the importance of oral health were presented, students of the Faculty of Dentistry completed the activities of marking the Dentist’s Day. Students conducted this two-month survey in almost all Kosovo settlements, through surveys and questionnaires conducted mainly with adolescents and persons over 65 years of age.

The purpose of this research, according to the students, was to assess the condition of dental prostheses, to learn about oral hygiene care, how to properly clean the tooth brush and the prosthesis, and to raise awareness of visits to the dentist.



PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM “ENGLISH FROM ME TO YOU” MADE OFFICIAL WITH COOPERATION AGREEMENT

9 March 2020



The Faculty of English and SOS Villages Prishtina, signed a cooperation agreement in the framework of the professional internship program “English

from me to you". This program enables third year students of the Faculty of English to offer English language courses to children who are part of the SOS Village Benefit.

The agreement was signed by Prof. Aida Alla, Dean of the Faculty of English, and Nezahat Ramadani Salihu, Regional Director of SOS Villages.

AAB COLLEGE STUDENTS WILL BE PART OF “PLAY’IN TOGETHER” ACTIVITIES

11 March 2020



The Faculty of Physical Culture and Sports in cooperation with the organization Play4 International held the informative session on the project “Play’in Together”, implemented by Erasmus +.

Play4 International representatives briefed students on the “Play’in Together” project, which aims to fight prejudice against people with disabilities, while focusing on kids aged 6-12.

One of the methodologies of this project will be sports education so that children with disabilities can develop different activities and games and feel equal.

NOTICE: CLASSES CANCELED TEMPORARILY DUE TO COVID19

11 March 2020



In accordance with the decision of the Government of Kosovo to suspend the teaching process in all educational institutions, AAB College informs all students and teachers that by March 27, 2020, there will be no classes held, until further notice.

You will be informed on time for further actions.

We urge you all to carefully follow all the precautions and recommendations of health institutions to prevent the spread of the virus.

AAB COLLEGE BEGINS DISTANCE LEARNING FOR ALL STUDENTS FROM MARCH 16

12 March 2020

Dear students,

We would like to inform you that, after the decision to suspend classes due to the situation created by COVID-19, AAB College from Monday, March 16, 2020, will continue with the application of distance learning through the e-Service platform.



In addition to the teaching materials, students will receive for each subject, will also have the opportunity to attend lectures in virtual classrooms and communicate in real time with teachers, according to the lecture schedule. This form of teaching applies to all students. Detailed instructions will be forwarded via email.

AAB COLLEGE SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHES LONG DISTANCE ELECTRONIC LEARNING PLATFORM

16 March 2020

Despite the suspension of the teaching process, as a preventive measure against the Covid-19 pandemic, AAB College has begun applying the distance learning method for all students.

Just as with many original platforms created so far for electronic student services, AAB College has also created an additional learning opportunity for students,

the Virtual Class platform, through which lectures are being held in real time according to the lecture schedule for all study programs.

The Virtual Classroom platform, which is designed specifically for distance learning, provides opportunities for students and teachers to communicate in real time and to interact with the topics being discussed. The platform has seen wide use by students since the moment of its launch.



This new method of student teaching creates learning opportunities for students from their homes so that they don't have to be disconnected from the learning process and can continue being engaged in their studies.

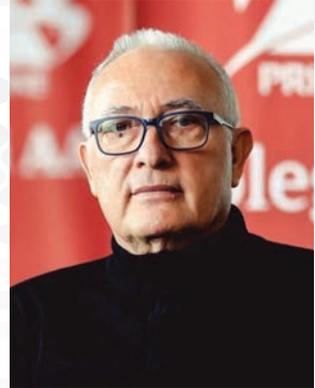
On the other hand, AAB College is also using online communication for staff meetings, leaving no room for the current situation to cause delays in the functioning of the institution. AAB College has expressed its readiness to help other educational, pre-university and university institutions to carry out distance learning in this extraordinary situation with their expertise.

MESSAGE FROM AAB COLLEGE RECTOR

22 March 2020

Dear students,

We are in an unusual situation, which reminds my generation of homeschooling in the nineties, the only difference being the source of danger. In those days, the danger was known from where it came from and it was seen who it was, and now it is invisible but equally deadly. This time the enemy is the devastating COVID-19 virus, however we do not fight this battle alone, we are in this together with all the world.



Under these circumstances, AAB College was immediately mobilized and almost seamlessly managed to transfer learning from campus to its online platform, in which you already have access to. Our IT staff, with professionalism and creativity, managed to further advance the distance learning platform with the addition of visual communication (video). Implementation of distance lectures is almost 100%, with student attendance exceeding all expectations. Both the management team of AAB College and I congratulate you on your commitment and dedication. I take this opportunity to invite other students who for some reason have not been able to join the online lecture platform so far. Please do not risk your academic year and do not miss the opportunity to make your valuable contribution through online studies.

MASS PARTICIPATION OF STUDENTS IN ONLINE DISCUSSION ORGANIZED BY AAB COLLEGE

24 March 2020



An online discussion was held for all AAB College students on the topic: “Dealing with the situation created by COVID-19, managing anxiety and panic”.

Psychology Experts dr. Naim Telaku and Prof. Dr. Fitim Uka, have been addressing the main concerns of society during the period of coping with the anxiety and stress created by isolation due to the COVID-19 virus for about an hour.

Numerous questions have been asked live by AAB College students, wanting to know about how anxiety manifests itself, how to understand the first signs of stress, how to best go about staying at home, and the effects on rapid change in their way of life.

Professor Telaku and Professor Uka describe a large number of cases and situations that arise in such circumstances, giving extremely valuable recommendations.

Psychologists encouraged all students to read as much as possible, citing some of the cognitive-behavioral techniques that show high efficacy in combating anxiety or panic.

Their main advice was to practice open communication, whether online or otherwise, with friends or with family members, concluding that fear is not

treated as a form of shame and that emotional states should be displayed. Speaking openly and communicating freely can reduce anxiety and panic, the panelists said in the debate.

Such discussions will continue to address other important topics in order to maintain and cultivate online communication, thereby keeping our students active.

DISCUSSION ON THE DIFFICULTIES CAUSED BY COVID-19 IN THE ECONOMY OF THE COUNTRY AND OF THE WORLD

28 March 2020



As part of the online discussions being organized by AAB College, issues related to the latest economic developments in the country and across the globe were discussed this time. The topic of this discussion was the moratorium on payments and financial liabilities as well as government support for avoiding losses from the situation created with Covid-19.

Invited in this discussion were the Dean of the Faculty of Economics, Prof. Dr. Shaip Bytyqi and Professor of Economics at AAB College, Prof. Dr. Remzi Smajli. The students were active throughout the discussion with their questions and comments to the panelists.

According to economic experts, the consequences of the situation created by the COVID-19 virus are serious and require urgent measures to be taken by

government institutions. According to them, the government should take care not only of the public but also of the private sector by creating a solution for the workers in this sector and the losses that enterprises of all levels may have.

UPLIFTING MESSAGE OF LORIK CANA TO AAB COLLEGE STUDENTS

29 March 2020

Albanian football icon Lorik Cana, who is also a member of the AAB College Board of Directors, addressed the students through a video message, encouraging them to become actively involved in online lectures, to constantly communicate, be informed and above all else, follow the rules of self-isolation.



World-famous football player Lorik Cana in this video message talks about the consequences that COVID-19 has had on all walks of life. AAB College Governing Board member emphasized that using the online learning platform developed by AAB College is essential at this stage for all students. It has encouraged them to be active and involved in the distance learning platform, so as not to be disconnected from the learning process and make the most of this period. Cana, who currently lives in Rome, Italy, has also spoken of the isolation and strict

application of the rules set out to prevent the further spread of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Former football player and former captain of the Albanian national team Lorik Cana urges students to prioritize health care and not allow this difficult period for all to create consequences for academic growth. He calls for actively pursuing online lectures and utilizing this platform to stay active and informed about studies, sports, work, health and many other areas in order to keep a fresh mind. In this case he also gives a personal example of how he is currently spending time.

Cana appeals to AAB College students to read more, communicate and be patient, hoping that everything will return to normal soon.

Lorik Cana is widely recognized as a multidimensional personality who has consistently been and remains an inspiration to younger generations, a model of success thanks to his work, dedication and commitment.

APRIL 2020

ONLINE DISCUSSION ON MEDIA EDUCATION

1 April 2020



AAB College students, in addition to distance learning, are also pursuing online discussions, which aim to include them in topics that are being addressed.

In the last online discussion, students had the opportunity to learn about media education during this pandemic, learning more about the difference between fake news and facts and the mechanisms used to verify information.

Invited were the Dean of the Faculty of Mass Communication of AAB College, Dr. Sc. Mr. Resul Sinani and the Head of Community for Cyber Security and Privacy, Mr. Mentor Hoxhaj. They called on the students to always pursue only the truth based on the facts and not to fall prey to fake news.

“Stay home physically while sharing verifiable facts online. What I am saying is for you students to always pursue the truth.” Said Mr. Hoxhaj.

Whereas, Mr. Sinani urged for everyone not to get fixated only on news about the pandemic for at least the next 24 hours.

“It’s good for people to stop themselves from watching or reading 24 hours of news about COVID-19; news should also be watched in moderation during this time. Because if we watch or read about unpleasant news all the time, it affects our well-being and mental stability” said Mr. Sinani.

DISTANCE LEARNING ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

2 April 2020



As part of the online discussions being organized by AAB College, the advantages and disadvantages that students may have from distance learning were analyzed.

Guests to this discussion were the deputy minister of education, Science and Technology, Prof. Xhavit Rexhaj and the Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences at AAB College, Prof. Hysen Kasumi. The panelists praised the efforts of professors and students to achieve success through distance learning, while adding that the statistics are very encouraging as the active participation of students is very high.

“Online teaching has brought a new relationships and interactions between the three main factors which are: teacher, student and literature. The results have been very positive with online learning; however, I think the narrative style should not be avoided and I believe it is very important to have a link between prior knowledge and subsequent knowledge for students.” said Prof. Rexhaj.

Whereas the Dean, Mr. Kasumi discusses the most advanced distance learning methodologies, pointing out that the use of online platforms creates certain advantages in the learning process.

DISCUSSION ON THE USE AND FUNCTIONING OF ONLINE TECHNOLOGY

8 April 2020



In the latest discussion organized for students by AAB College, the topic “Commercial Electronic Technology, Online Trade and Online Learning” was addressed.

In this open online discussion with students, the guests were the Dean of the Faculty of Computer Science at AAB College, Prof. Jusuf Qarkaxhija and a professor of this faculty, Arianit Maraj.

They talked about the importance and application of technology in our lives, and the impact it has on facilitating access to online shopping or learning.

“E-Commerce is comprised of three parts: that of distribution of goods, the product and the delivery. Information technology offers all the opportunities for online commerce, but also for online learning. Both of these components are very important and are developing, especially in this pandemic period”, said Mr. Qarkaxhija.

Whereas, Prof. Maraj talked about some recent statistics showing the advantages of technological development in online businesses.

“About 13-15% of sales and purchases in the world are made online today, making such a trend very current and necessary for this period. Many online businesses have developed rapidly, thus increasing the number of employees in order to cope with the situation caused by COVID-19 “, said Mr. Maraj.

AAB COLLEGE'S STUDENTS OF THE FACULTY OF ARTS BRING THE FIRST VIRTUAL EXHIBITION TO KOSOVO

09 April 2020

For the first time in our country, AAB College's Faculty of Arts brings us a virtual exhibition by students.

"Can't quarantine ART" is the title of the virtual exhibition of students of the Faculty of Arts of AAB College, which opened to all art lovers on Thursday, April 9, 2020.



The online exhibition comes to us as a response to the pandemic caused by Covid-19, through a virtual international gallery, and will remain open until the beginning of May.

Even though going outside is limited because of the pandemic, the special opening of the exhibition was done live on the AAB College Facebook page for all to see.

In the exhibition's opening, the acting Minister of Culture, Vjosa Dumoshi, said that this cultural event where the exhibition is brought to us in a unique way,

proves that art cannot be bound or restricted and that it finds a way to reach through to people. She also said that it is to be envied how AAB College enables its students to show their talent even during these hard times.

The exhibition includes 50 digital works in the genres of New Media Arts, Painting, Mixed Media Arts, etc., which were created by first- and second-year students of Graphic Design, led by the professor Besim Mikullovc, who was also the curator of the virtual exhibition.

OVER 1400 AAB COLLEGE STUDENTS START ONLINE LANGUAGE COURSE

11 April 2020

In the online discussion organized by AAB College live via facebook was discussed about the importance of English language and the promotion of online courses. To discuss this topic, Dean of the Faculty of English Dr. Sc. Aida Alla and the English volunteer teacher, Mrs. Marigona Zejnullahu were invited as guests.

During the discussion, the panelists answered the students' questions, talking about the great importance of the English language for the future of young people, intercultural communication, employment, online research, academic advancement but also fair information. Through this language we can access international media and read or hear news from primary sources.



THE FIRST ONLINE CONFERENCE SUCCESSFULLY HELD: COMMUNICATION IN THE TIME OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC

13 April 2020



Students of AAB College and the University of Tirana, today, have successfully completed the first online conference on “Communication in the time of Covid-19 pandemic “, which is the first of its kind between Albanians in terms of form, content and organizational circumstances. The students were mainly from the Master’s degree program in journalism, communications and public relations.

They presented the results of their research of several weeks on the specifics of communications in the daily life of global isolation, the specifics of the work of journalists in pandemic times in Kosovo and Albania, on communication and political discourse in quarantine time, and also discussed fake news about Covid-19 as well as today’s communication transformation. The conference was chaired by the Vice Rector for Science at AAB College, Prof. Dr. Hasan Saliu. He presented some of the research questions and highly appreciated the commitment of students to organizations like these.

EXCLUSIVE: AAB COLLEGE OFFERING STOMATOLOGICAL AND RADIOLOGICAL SERVICES FOR 24 HOURS SOON

22 April 2020



In today's online discussion with students, organized by AAB College, the topic "Challenges of the medical system in the conditions of COVID-19 pandemic and possible spread" was addressed.

Invited were the Director of the Radiology Clinic at UCCK, Mr. Sc. Dr. Bujar Gjikolli and the Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry at AAB College, Dr. Sc. Astrit Kuçi. They revealed to the students all the work being done by the Kosovo medical staff and the ongoing efforts to treat patients with COVID-19 and also those who are generally ill. In this live discussion with the students of AAB College, it was also talked about the last surgical intervention in the placement of the retriever stent in the brain, realized for the first time in Kosovo by Mr. Sc. Dr. Bujar Gjikolli.

Whereas, Prof. Kuçi, shared some good news for all the young people who are expected to join the studies at AAB College and those who are already part of the College.

"We have some very good news for all students who want to study in the field of medical sciences. We plan to provide dental and radiological services for 24h within AAB College, using all the space possible. Very soon you will see this plan which is being implemented and then all students will be able to give their contribution during their studies at AAB ", said Dr. Kuci.

CARING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT THAT WE LIVE IN IS THE RESPONSIBILITY AND TASK OF EACH OF US

23 April 2020

On International Earth Day, AAB College hosted a discussion on the care of the environment in which we live, addressing this important topic which requires the commitment of all. Guests were AAB College Rector, Dr. Sc. Bujar Demjaha and the Director of the Organization “Let’s Do It Kosova”, Mr. Luan Hasanaj. Rector Mr. Demjaha when speaking about the importance of this day, stressed that joint commitment and general awareness are required, not only of society, but especially of the country’s institutions, to ensure a clean and healthy environment. The Rector called on all students to think about the environment not only on International Earth Day, but on an ongoing basis. He also said that educational institutions should make it a part of their daily work to care for the environment, cleanliness and a health. Meanwhile, the Director of “Let’s Do It Kosova”, Mr. Hasanaj spoke about the projects of this Organization. He said that the initiative they have taken for the first time in Kosovo, which is “Digital Cleaning Day” aims to bring the world’s attention to virtual-digital waste, which we rarely think is “waste”, and that this type of waste also has an impact on the environment and our daily lives through energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.



AAB COLLEGE MARKS THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF BOOK AND COPYRIGHT

23 April 2020

On the occasion of April 23, International Book and Copyright Day, AAB College, although in unusual circumstances, marked this day through a live broadcast with students. In this online discussion, the professors and writers: Mr. Rahman Paçarizi and Mrs. Ilire Zajmi-Rugova, as well as the Director of the Library of AAB College, Mr. Urim Sallauka took part.

They talked about the importance of the book and the awareness of good time management using books especially in this period of isolation. Another important issue that was discussed was the respect for copyright in Kosovo.



“We find lost freedom in books, we live there and coexist with the characters and the stories we read, so I remember it’s an ideal situation for us to retreat into ourselves, reading books. Another issue has to do with copyright, which is not respected, not appreciated in our country, and it should be noted that most of those who publish books, publish books because they love the book, because they live by writing and I do not know of any author in Kosovo that has done this for financial benefits”, said Mrs. Ilire Zajmi-Rugova.

Whereas, Mr. Paçarizi spoke more about book management and the non-penetration of Albanian authors abroad.

“The book, like everything else, must be managed, that is, a book when it is published must have a follow-up infrastructure, and that infrastructure primarily consists of the media, which must promote the book. Another management is the existence of a genuine and systematic literary critique, which would guide the reader on what to read about when it comes to a particular book. As far as Kosovo is concerned, books in our country circulate within a closed circle, very few books penetrate abroad except those that have arrived to be translated or have been published directly in other languages “, said Mr. Paçarizi.

Also, during this discussion, the Director of the Library of AAB College, Mr. Urim Sallauka announced the winners of the “Masar Stavileci” Award for the most devoted readers of the library. He said that the students of AAB College are avid readers and use a good part of their time in the library.

It is worth noting that the AAB College Electronic Library is also providing access to international literature and journals even during the isolation period so that students have access to these materials at all times.

AAB STUDENTS – VOLUNTEERS IN THE WAR AGAINST COVID-19

23 April 2020

Elionita Halimi is a student at the Faculty of Nursing at AAB College. Like hundreds of other young people, she has volunteered to assist quarantined persons at the Student Center in Prishtina.

Elionita points out that she is committed to meeting the routine health needs and meeting the physical and mental needs of the people who are being isolated there. According to her, volunteer work is a way of expressing humanism for the people without distinction both in times of pandemics and during regular life.



“By deciding to study at the Faculty of Nursing at AAB College, I had already chosen the direction of humanism. Our work is an expression of humanity towards our citizens and people when they need us. I consider helping each other to be the key to all the positive virtues that distinguish us as human beings.” said Elionita.

Elionita, being certified by the International Olympic Committee in Korea for coaches in Taekwondo – 1 dan master, also undertakes activities with children in many kindergartens aside from volunteering to help with isolated persons.

It should be mentioned at the end that Elionita is not alone in the undertaking of these activities, many other AAB students are also engaged in such activities in many other municipalities.

MAY 2020

PREPARATORY SCHOOL FOR MATURA TEST 2019/20 ORGANIZED BY AAB COLLEGE LAUNCHES SUCCESSFULLY

7 May 2020

This year as well, thousands of high school graduates from all over Kosovo start their journey in the Preparatory School of Matura Test organized by AAB College, which aims to prepare them as best as possible for the National Matura Test, which is expected to be held during the month of June.

The situation created by the global pandemic COVID-19 has not prevented AAB College from developing this project online, which has unquestionably been one of the most important programs for graduates, now 12 years since it was organized by AAB. There are tens of thousands of graduates who during these years have attended the Matura Test Preparatory School, and undoubtedly, their participation has resulted in significant increase of success in the National Matura Test.

AAB College was the first to launch distance learning lectures for its students during this self-isolation period, successfully undertaking the April exams remotely, through original platforms designed by its digital services, and is now the first institution to successfully launch another project for prospective students. In the opening of this year's program of the Preparatory School for the Matura Test, the teachers engaged in this project, selected from the best of Kosovo's high schools, informed the high school graduates about the program that will be realized during the development of preparatory courses.

It must be emphasized that AAB College for the development of preparatory courses, has managed to create the largest online community of high school graduates where thousands of graduates from all over the country will take part. Courses are offered free of charge, and graduates who may have been uninformed so far can join the group.

Another innovation that AAB College brings for the graduates of the 2019/20 generation, is that in addition to the Preparatory School for the Matura Test, during the week it will also launch the platform for testing the acquired knowledge, where each graduate will have the opportunity to test themselves and focus on topics that need to be mastered.

MESSAGE FROM THE AAB COLLEGE RECTOR, DR. SC. BUJAR DEMJAHA

9 May 2020

Happy May 9, Europe Day

The European Union today marks the day of unity and cooperation.

The creation of the European Union marked a historic turning point in the process of democratization, freedom, tolerance and cooperation of an international union.



The empowerment of the European Union has enabled the peoples of the member states to live in harmony and advance their rights to move freely and be treated equally.

The Republic of Kosovo celebrates May 9 to mark our legitimate goals for full integration into the European Union. Our country has made significant progress in meeting the criteria for integration through strengthening and promoting European values, respecting the basic principles of interstate cooperation, equality between peoples, maintaining integrity and ensuring the well-being of all citizens.



THE CENTER FOR CYBERNETIC SECURITY IS ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE FACULTY OF COMPUTER SCIENCE IN AAB COLLEGE

13 May 2020



AAB College, through the Faculty of Computer Science has continuously updated its programs to meet current requirements related to cyber security issues. The establishment of this center is a decision of the Board of Directors of AAB College.

The Cyber Security program, which operates within the Faculty of Computer Science, is the first program accredited in Kosovo of this type.

The agreement with Capitol Technology University, which on 25.02.2020, received the “National Award for the best cyber security program”, will enable the creation of professional laboratories for cyber security and offers exchange of students and staff.

The Cyber Security Center will be run by Dr.sc. Arianit Maraj.

AAB COLLEGE MARKS INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY

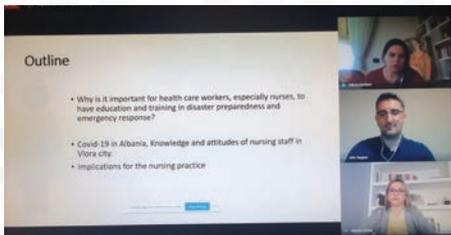
12 May 2020

AAB College's Faculty of Nursing has marked International Nursing Day through discussion in a panel composed of participants from different countries who are experts in this field and also prominent professionals.

Participants in this panel were:

Dean of the Faculty of Nursing at AAB College, Mr. Idriz Sopiani, President of the Kosovo Chamber of Nurses, Mr. Naser Rrustemi, Nursing Coordinator at HUCSK, Mrs. Lirije Beqiri, Academician – Epidemiologist, Mr. Isuf Dedushi, Director of the Center for Social Care, Health and Related Research, Birmingham school of health sciences, Ms. Joanne Brooke, President of the Nurses and Midwives Association of Slovenia, Ms. Monika Ažman, Integrations coordinator – Agaplesion Elisabethenstift, Mr. Felix Vacek, Tirana Nursing Expert, Mrs. Sajmira Aderaj and Mrs. Fatjona Kamberi from the University “Ismail Qemali” – Vlora.

This discussion focused on the role of Nursing in this period of Pandemic and the importance of this profession.



AAB COLLEGE LAUNCHES PRACTICE TESTING PLATFORM FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

16 May 2020

Platformë për maturantët

eMaturaAAB

**TEST SPROVUES PËR TESTIN
E MATURËS KOMBËTARE**



<https://graduate.aab-edu.net/>

In addition to the preparatory courses for the National Matura Test, which have been held online since the beginning of May, AAB College today launched a Matura testing platform for high school graduates.

This platform, through online tests of the main subjects, aims to better prepare the high school graduates for the test that is expected to be held in June. Graduates have the opportunity to test themselves based on the models of previous tests in the main subjects that will be in the exam.

JUNE 2020

MASKS WITH LOGO OF AAB COLLEGE, PRODUCT OF MODUS DESIGN STUDENTS, FOR AAB STAFF

16 June 2020



AAB College Fashion Design students have already begun to put to use their acquired professional knowledge.

In this period when we continue to be at risk of the spread of the corona virus, the students of this program have taken an initiative to sew masks for AAB staff, under the supervision of Prof. Neki Morina.

“Of course, this idea has been welcomed by both me and the students, we are trying to have over 250 masks in a day that will be offered for use to the staff who are constantly at work. With the good will of the students and with the desire to contribute to the situation we are in, we have returned to our work equipment here at the Faculty of Arts to finalize the sewing of the masks “, said Prof. Morina.

While further adherence to physical measures and distances is being sought, this contribution by students means a lot to maintaining health and preventing COVID-19 virus.

ARGNESA, AUTHOR OF THE SHOW ON DTV

24 June 2020



“Stay Cool” on DTV, the authentic show of AAB student, Argnesa Abdixhiku Argnesa Abdixhiku, a student of the Faculty of Mass Communications at AAAB College is also one of our students who has started a professional career in the media. She has already been hired on DTV and is the author of the youth show “Stay Cool”. Argnesa who has started realization of her authentic show, where she will address topics that are mainly related to show-biz, says this is a very good opportunity to because it will try to be original and bring something different and more attractive to television.

Her engagement to DTV, Argnesa sees as a result of her studies at AAB College, for which she says she has helped her a lot: “ AAAB has helped me a lot on this journey that I have just started, because it offers you all the opportunities for professional preparation “, she says. But, Argnesa also has a message for all those who aim to enter the field of media and journalism: “ Those who aim to study journalism, I tell you that first have to choose the faculty where all opportunities will be offered, and they only find this at AAB College. But even not to surrender and persistent on achieving their goals, because nothing is impossible “.

STUDENTS CLIMB THE LJUBOTEN PEAK TO MARK THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC DAY

24 June 2020



The Faculty of Physical Education and Sports at AAB College marked June 23rd International Olympic Day by climbing to the top of Ljuboten at an altitude of 2,498 meters. This expedition composed of professors and students completed the climb honoring the yearly tradition that it has become.

In July, the students of the Faculty of Physical Education and Sports will cross the highest peak in the Albanian Alps, Gjeravica Peak at an altitude of 2,656 meters.



ONE MORE DOCTOR OF SCIENCE ADDED TO THE LONG LIST OF PROFESSORS AT AAB COLLEGE

26 Qershor 2020



Shpend Voca, a lecturer at the Faculty of Psychology at AAB, successfully defended his doctorate at the University of Masaryk in the Czech Republic.

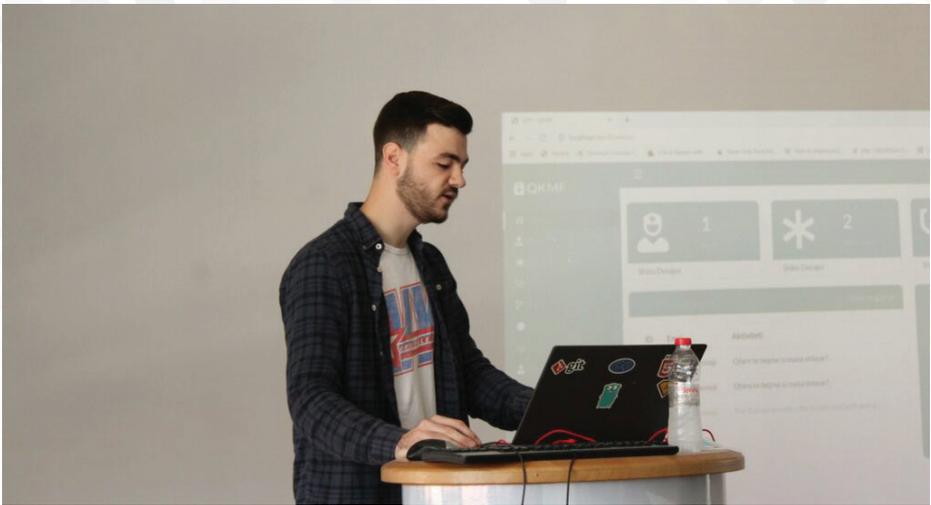
The defense of the dissertation and its paper “Intergroup Relations in Post-Conflict Societies: Promoting Intergroup Contact and Apologizing” was evaluated with maximum points by the evaluation board.

In this paper, Shpendi analyzed the facilitating and inhibitory factors of intergroup contact and apologizing through the application of structural equation models. Our staff, already composed of many doctors of science, is further bolstered on such advanced processes at home and abroad, reconfirming its position as the first of all non-public institutions in the country. Dozens of former AAB College students are also in the process of completing their doctoral studies.



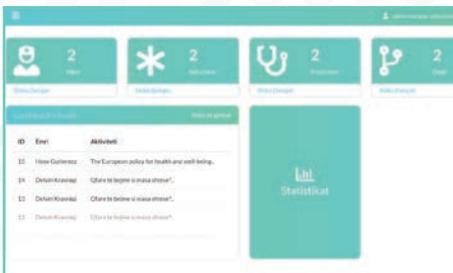
CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY: AAB STUDENT, DELVIN KRASNIQI CREATES DIGITAL PLATFORM FOR QKMF

29 June 2020



As part of the ongoing activities of AAB College that go in favor of the community and society, and continuous cooperation with various public and non-public institutions, AAB has created a digital platform for the Clinical Center of Family Medicine in Pristina.

The merits for the successful implementation of this platform belong to the third-year student of the Faculty of Computer Science at AAB, Delvin Krasniqi who will now continue to assist with the management of the staff and activities of QKMF.



JULY 2020

THE FIRST GENERATION OF RADIOLOGY TECHNICIANS GRADUATED FROM AAB COLLEGE

13 July 2020



The first generation of students of the Radiology Technician bachelor program has graduated after 3 years of intensive work here at AAB College, before a committee of professors, while following the recommendations of NIPHK.

The graduates successfully defended their theses at the ceremony organized for this occasion, thus concluding the cycle of studies and qualifying as professionals in this field.



AAB STUDENTS WIN THE “BEST NEW MEDIATION PROGRAM” AWARD IN THE “INADR VIRTUAL TOURNAMENT–VILNIUS 2020”

13 July 2020



AAB College’s students of the Faculty of Law successfully participated in the international competition of Dispute Resolution “INADR Virtual Tournament – Vilnius 2020”, held from 7 to 11 July 2020 in Lithuania.

Although this was Kosova’s first-time taking part in such an international competition, our students: Lirie Hoti, Albaton Bejta, and Saranda Dula received the award “Best New Mediation Program”. This award, once again, proves that the students of AAB College are ready and capable to represent AAB College and Kosova internationally, in a competition between world-renown universities in the field of law. This competition was organized by the INADR institute (The International Academy of Dispute Resolution) from the United States of America and the “Mykolas Romeris University” from Lithuania.

The practical and theoretical preparation of the students both before and during this competition was done by professors Dr. Egzonis Hajdari and Prof. Ass. Dr. Skender Gojani, under the supervision of the Dean of the Faculty of Law Prof. Ass. Dr. Veton Vula.

AAB COLLEGE-THE BEST AND ONLY CHOICE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SKILLS AND BREAKING THROUGH IN THE JOB MARKET

14 July 2020



If you are still wondering which institution to begin your professional journey in; we want to introduce you to Çlirim Lajqi, a student of ours in the Faculty of Arts who put his faith and his dream on our hands. As a result, he, among many other students here at AAB College, has found employment even before getting a diploma. He now works at KTV and expresses his satisfaction in the path he chose for his career.

“It has always been my dream to become a graphic designer in the Television industry and I can freely say that I have successfully achieved this dream through my development of skills at AAB College. I would be remiss not to mention that I have been tutored by professors and assistant professors who are experts in their fields. Because of their tutelage, mentoring, and dedication to excellence, I was able to achieve my dream. After all, hard work is directly linked with breaking through in the Job market here at AAB College.” Said Çlirim Lajqi.

UNIVERSITY “OSTIM TEKNIK UNIVERSITESI” FROM TURKEY, ADDED TO LIST OF PARTNERS OF AAB COLLEGE

21 July 2020

As a result of the ongoing campaign of expansion in various activities and the signing of international cooperation agreements, AAB College signed a memorandum of cooperation with “OSTIM TEKNIK UNIVERSITESI” University from Turkey.



The memorandum signed between the Pro-rector Prof. Ass. Dr. Venera Llunji, in behalf of AAB College, and Prof. Ass. Dr. Ozan Gulhan, in behalf of OSTIM TEKNIK UNIVERSITESI, envisages a slew of joint activities, such as the exchange of students and academic staff, the recognition of credits achieved in courses attended in the relevant institutions, the organization of joint study programs, and other scientific activities such as conferences, symposiums, etc.

This cooperation agreement resulted from the initiative taken by the Dean's Office of the Faculty of Economics; Dean Prof. Ass. Dr. Shaip Bytyçi, Pro-Dean Dr. Sc. Kosovare Ukshini, and Pro-Dean Prof. Dr. Sc. Donat Rexhaj.



AAB COLLEGE CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE KLA WVO AND THEIR FAMILIES

21 July 2020



In order to sign a cooperation agreement between AAB College and the Kosovo Liberation Army War Veteran Organization, Rector Bujar Demjaha, today met with the chairman of this organization, Mr. Hysni Gucati and its official representatives.

This agreement encapsulates the provision of our support, commitment, and the assistance in matters such as trainings, conferences, seminars, etc.

Since its humble beginnings, AAB College has offered support to all post-war families that are in need, especially to those of war veterans.

As a result of AAB College's commitment to this cause, the KLA WVO attributed us with an award of recognition.

As it was witnessed today, the support from AAB College for the families in need will continue for the foreseeable future.

AUGUST 2020

STUDENTS OF AAB COLLEGE SHINE IN ATHLETICS COMPETITIONS

12 August 2020



A two-day open competition was held by the Federation of Athletics in Kosovo, where AAB College students of the Faculty of Physical Culture and Sports also took part in. During this competition, Tirron Mamusha, AAB student, was crowned champion of the men's 5,000-meter athletics event.

However, this is not the only success that was achieved by our students during this competition, as athlete Donika Bujupaj of club "Olimpi" from Istog managed to take first place in both the 5,000-meter and 3,000-meter women's athletics event. Also, athlete Arlind Morina of club "Malisheva" triumphed over his competitors in the 1,500 meter and 3,000-meter men's athletics event, and athlete Denis Berisha took second place in the Long Jump athletics event.

Students of the Faculty of Physical Culture and Sports take part and dominate in every athletics event held in Kosovo.



AAB COLLEGE—THE ONLY INSTITUTION IN KOSOVO UTILIZING TURNITIN, THE MOST ADVANCED ANTI-PLAGIARISM SERVICE

26 August 2020

Starting in September, AAB College will use all of the products offered by one of the most advanced plagiarism-detection services, Turnitin.

This easy access service for professors and students who are part of AAB College was made possible as a result of the signing of a contract between AAB College and the parent company of Turnitin.

On this occasion, Vice Rector for Academic Affairs at AAB College, Prof. Ass. Dr. Shemsedin Vehapi, said that through this added service, AAB College aims to raise the awareness of both students and staff members on academic integrity, so we can foster the fundamental academic values: honesty, trust, justice, respect, and responsibility.

AAB College also organized an online training session with various Turnitin experts through a webinar, with the purpose of explaining the values of Turnitin, how to use it, and the services it offers.

Turnitin is used by more than 15,000 institutions and around 34 million students worldwide. This service assists with the detection of unoriginal work by comparing submitted papers to its databases.

This is but one way that AAB College ensures the growth of its students and their academic integrity.



ACADEMIC CONFERENCE BY AAB COLLEGE ON “TRANSFORMATIONS AND CONSEQUENCES IN SOCIETY DUE TO COVID-19” BRINGS 183 SPEAKERS FROM 28 COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD.

26 August 2020



183 authors from 28 different countries will take part in the conference “Transformations and consequences in society due to covid-19”, which will begin on the 5th of September and conclude on the 6th of September, this year. In this international conference which is being organized by AAB College in cooperation with European Universities, key speakers are going to be the Professor from Bologna University Pierluigi Musaro and Professor Derek El-Zein from the University of Paris Descartes.

The key topics of this conference will touch on the effects of isolation caused by the pandemic from an interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary approach. According to the organizers of this conference, 124 abstracts have been approved by the academic committee, and 50 have been declined. Participants will present their works online.

Main host of this event will be AAB College, in collaboration with universities from Greece, Poland, Bulgaria, Macedonia, Bosnia and Hercegovina, and Albania.

SEPTEMBER 2020

YOUTUBE AND THE INTERNET – THIS IS WHAT CHILDREN IN KOSOVO ARE EXPOSED TO

1 September 2020



For the first time in Kosovo, a scientific research was conducted on the time spent online by children, and the risks and experiences they are exposed to.

The project was implemented by AAB College as part of the scientific research grants awarded by MES.

Since 2009, scientific research such as this are carried out consistently in the EU. However, this is the first time that such a project takes place in our country, where neighboring countries like Serbia are included in the data but Albania still remains in the process of inclusion.



During the presentation of the research results of year 2019, Pro-rector of scientific research in AAB College, Hasan Saliu stated that, because of the pandemic we could not present our findings earlier. “The purpose of this research was to measure the time that children spend online, what they use this time on, and what the dangers that might befall them are. The other objective of this research was to compare how the children in Kosovo use the internet when as opposed to other children in the EU.” Said Saliu.

COVID-19 BRINGS TOGETHER 29 COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD AT AAB COLLEGE

3 September 2020

Poland, Greece, Finland, Turkey, Canada, Brazil, Australia, Uruguay, USA, Dominican Republic, Singapore, Ecuador, United Kingdom, India, Bhutan, Tunisia, France, Belgium, Philippines, Italy, Germany, Mexico, Romania, Bulgaria, Slovenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, northern Macedonia, Albania, are the 29 participating countries that will be part of the largest Virtual Scientific Conference organized in the region.



In cooperation with well-known universities from Poland, Greece, Northern Macedonia, Bulgaria, Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina, AAB College has organized a conference on “Transformations and consequences in society due to Covid-19 pandemic”, which will be held online on 5 and 6 September 2020.

183 authors will attend this conference, of which, the professor from the University of Bologna, Pierluiggi Musaro and Prof. Derek El-Zein from the University of Paris Descartes are going to be the key speakers. The key topics of this conference will touch on the effects of isolation caused by the pandemic from an interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary approach.

AAB – THE FIRST INSTITUTION IN KOSOVO TO FACILITATE FINANCING OF STUDENTS FROM DIASPORA

3 September 2020



Through an agreement with the company Paysera, AAB College has become the first higher education institution in Kosovo to provide Fintech services for its students. Under this agreement, AAB College has made it possible for students to pay their tuition in real-time while also eliminating transaction fees when paying from Diaspora. AAB College, through this platform, makes it easier than ever for students to receive financial assistance from their families abroad (Diaspora).

On this occasion, vice-chairman of the board of directors at AAB College, Gëzim Shabani said that he is thrilled that through this agreement, our students can now more easily pay their tuition. “AAB College remains the prime candidate when it comes to offering digitized services to students. From now on, all payments can be made through the mobile phone. With the support of Paysera, our students can now reduce the use of cash, and the bank fees for services rendered!” said Shabani.

Meanwhile, chief executive officer of Paysera in Kosovo, Bashkim Zeqiri said that it is a good sign for the development of financial products when Kosovo companies are increasing their involvement in the innovative world by automating services and using information technology which reduces costs and facilitates operations.

“This is the biggest agreement that a Kosovo company and Fintech have come to so far”, added Zeqiri. The digitization of the student card will enable the automation of processes and the possibility of a digital wallet for all students.

AAB’S INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CONCLUDES ITS WORKS—THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC WILL BE FELT IN THE COMING YEARS

6 September 2020

During this pandemic, people have been nothing more than a statistic; countries closed their borders, impeding mobility rights, and society went through a transformation. There was no concerted effort to deal with the global enemy, and as a result, the consequences will be felt in years to come.

These were some conclusions that the international conference of AAB College and other European universities came to.

118 studies were presented during this conference, in which over 183 researchers from 29 countries were involved. Key speakers of this conference were Prof. Dr. Pierluigi Musaro, from the University of Bologna whose topic was “Mobility, Security and Covid-19: the invisible enemy and the right to breathe”, and Prof.

Dr. Derek El-Zein from the University of Paris Descartes, who presented on the topic “State’s effectiveness on the battle against the pandemic: examples from Lebanon, Germany and France”.



Besides the plenary session and the key speakers, the conference titled “Transformations and consequences in society due to Covid-19” also held 17 panels, each with their specific topics of discussion.

“Today, we shared scientific information with one another on the consequences and transformations in our society that happened due to Covid-19. These presentations touched on the consequences of the pandemic on healthcare, manufacturing, trade, services, education, and mobility, and on the transformations caused in education, interpersonal communication and mass communication. The period of isolation has also taken its toll on our mental health, family relations, human rights, justice system, and international relations”, said Salihu.



AAB DIRECTORS AND STAFF MEET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF ERASMUS+ OFFICE

11 September 2020

In a meeting held at AAB College, hosts Rector Bujar Demjaha and Vice-rector for international relations Venera Lljunji met with the Director of the Erasmus+ office Jehona Lushaku-Sadriu and the representative Blerina Zjaça.



During this meeting, topics of discussion were AAB Colleges activities on Erasmus+ projects, agreements reached with international institutions, the number of activities so far, and the future expectations.

The representatives of Erasmus+ in Kosovo also met with students and the academic staff that were involved in the exchange programs, where they discussed the opportunities that they will have in 2021 after the pandemic situation blows over. During this meeting, it was also emphasized that there are enough financial funds for projects which could help with further development in the future.

CALL FOR STUDENTS OF THE FACULTY OF LAW TO ATTEND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE HNMUN

17 September 2020

AB College invites third and fourth-year students of the Faculty of Law to apply to participate in the 67th edition of the international conference HNMUN which will be held from 11-14 February 2021.

Details of participation can be found at aab-edu.net.



PRO-DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF MASS COMMUNICATION, BURBUQE BERISHA, NOMINATED FOR THE INTERNATIONAL AWARD “THE LPTW GILDER/COIGNEY INTERNATIONAL THEATRE AWARD”

18 September 2020

Renowned artist and director, and Pro-dean in the faculty of Mass Communication at AAB College, Burbuqe Berisha, was nominated for the International Theater Award “The LPTW Gilder/Coigney International Theatre Award”

This important international award was established in 2011 as the League of Professional Theatre Women in honor of two international theatre icons, Rosamond Gilder and Martha Coigney, and aims to reward the professionals of this field for extraordinary achievement, while also increasing their works’ reach across borders around the globe.



Receivers of this award, which is given once every 3 years, have so far been artists from Rwanda, Columbia, and Netherlands.

Professor Burbuqe Berisha is among 27 other nominated women from 18 countries around the world. She is the author of 12 artistic short films, 5 documentaries, 8 theatrical plays, and has received a cinematography award in 2018 for her feature film “A story of Prishtina”.

KOSOVO TO BE REPRESENTED IN UEFA (EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY FILM AWARD) BY AAB COLLEGE STUDENTS

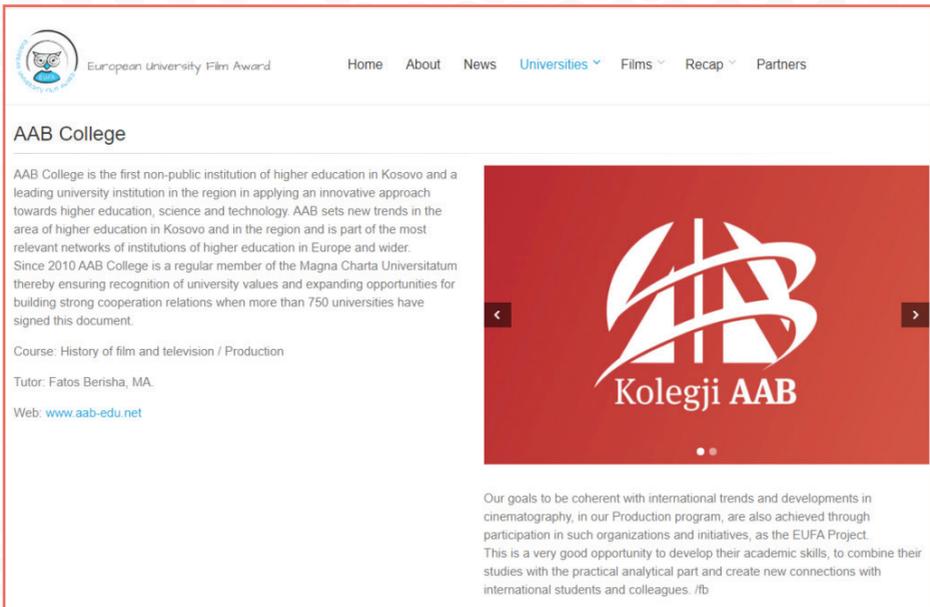
21 September 2020



The film production program of the Faculty of Mass Communication at AAB College, has now become a member of UEFA (European University Film Award), which is a creation of the European Film Academy and Filmfest Hamburg.

This initiative, established in 2016, was created with the intent to include a newer audience and to spread the “European Idea” and the spirit of the European Cinema to university students.

Also, this initiative aims to support the dissemination of film, film education and debate culture. AAB College is now among 25 other universities from 25 different countries such as Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the United Kingdom.



The screenshot shows a website page for the European University Film Award. At the top left is the logo for the award, featuring a stylized film camera and the text "European University Film Award". To the right of the logo is a navigation menu with links: Home, About, News, Universities (with a dropdown arrow), Films (with a dropdown arrow), Recap (with a dropdown arrow), and Partners. Below the navigation is the heading "AAB College". The main content area contains a paragraph of text describing AAB College as the first non-public institution of higher education in Kosovo and a leading university in the region. It mentions that since 2010, AAB College is a regular member of the Magna Charta Universitatum, ensuring recognition of university values and expanding opportunities for building strong cooperation relations. Below the text, there is a course description: "Course: History of film and television / Production", a tutor name "Tutor: Fatos Berisha, MA", and a web link "Web: www.aab-edu.net". To the right of the text is a large red banner with the white logo of "Kolegji AAB" and a navigation arrow on the right. Below the banner, there is a small text block: "Our goals to be coherent with international trends and developments in cinematography, in our Production program, are also achieved through participation in such organizations and initiatives, as the EUFA Project. This is a very good opportunity to develop their academic skills, to combine their studies with the practical analytical part and create new connections with international students and colleagues. /fb".

As is tradition, among the artistic films and documentaries which are participating in the European Film Academy, five will be selected and students from all the member universities will gather to vote and discuss on who will receive the UEFA prize. Students of AAB College will be mentored by Fatos Berisha, who is a member of the European Academy of Film.

AAB COLLEGE OFFERING 100 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR BACHELOR STUDIES WORTH OVER 100 THOUSAND EURO

21 September 2020

AAB College Launches the Scholarship program for bachelor studies 2020/21

Despite the unusual circumstances caused by Covid-19, AAB College, the leading institution of higher education in both Albania and Kosovo, through its Scholarship Program, is offering 100 scholarships for 1 full academic year to all high school graduates who are interested in university studies.



Ranked as the number one non-public institution according to the Webometrix University ranklist, possessing the highest number of students and lecturers, and with a breathtaking infrastructure which speaks to decades of continued investment and care, AAB College once again proves its position as the leader in higher education in the country and beyond.

COOPERATION AGREEMENT REACHED WITH THE PRESCHOOL INSTITUTION “ZOGJTË”

23 September 2020

The Faculty of Social Sciences in AAB College has signed a cooperation agreement with the preschool institutions Birds 1 and Birds 2 in the municipality of Fushë Kosova.



This preschool institution is now part of a long list of institutions where AAB College students of the Child care and welfare program can do their practical work. Besides this agreement, the way is now paved for more activities between institutions such as the organizing of joint roundtables to discuss preschool education, additional lectures for students.

This cooperation agreement was signed in AAB College between the dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Dr. Hysen Kasumi and the two directors of these preschool institutions, Sofije Dragidella and Habibe Imeri.

AAB COLLEGE AND KOSOVO CSR NETWORK SIGN COOPERATION AGREEMENT

28 September 2020



This agreement makes official the partnership between Kosovo CSR Network and AAB College, which aims to empower the Kosovo youth and contribute to their professional development.

Initially, this cooperation agreement will focus on the Kosovo Generation Unlimited project, which will be implemented by Kosovo CSR Network, and supported by the UNICEF program in Kosovo. This program, together with relevant actors (UNICEF, private sector, government institutions, education institutions, etc.) will create substantive opportunities to address and support the unmet needs of our young people – in the field of non-formal education, developing their professional skills, and also, creating employment / internship opportunities.

OCTOBER 2020

AAB COLLEGE BEGINS NEW ACADEMIC YEAR OF 2020/21 WITH A SLEW OF MEASURES TO COMBAT COVID-19

1 October 2020



AAB College begins new academic year of 2020/21 in entirely different circumstances because of the situation created by covid-19.

Traditionally, AAB College has always started its classes on October 1, therefore, despite the covid-19 situation that we find ourselves in, this date remains the date of the new academic year for the AAB College staff and students.

Rector of AAB College, Bujar Demjaha, in his address to the students and the staff, asked for dedication and vigilance during these trying times. “We, as an institution, have done our utmost to meet the needs of you, the students so you can return to your studies unhindered. And now, it falls upon you to follow the rules and be vigilant, so we can all carry on forward together instead of regressing to the previous methods of study from earlier in the year.” Said Demjaha.

Rector Demjaha welcomed both the students and staff to this new academic year while also instructing them to pay heed to the rules, wear the masks, keep distance in the halls, and respect the seating guidelines in class.

AAB College has taken every safety measure, so we can begin a smooth academic year in compliance with all the recommendations of NIPHK and MoH. As a part of the preparations made, AAB College has also created its own task-force, which is charged with setting its own guidelines and enforcing them. This task-force, in cooperation with AAB College management, has created suitable conditions for students to safely attend classes.



The academic year has also begun for second, third- and fourth-year students, even as scores of new students come to complete their registrations at AAB College. New high school graduates still have a chance of meeting the registration deadline. Meanwhile, administrative services of AAB College will be at the disposal of every student to inform them of their class schedule.

To all the AAB College students and staff, once again, welcome to the new academic year. Stay safe and be well!

BOXING CHAMPION BESART PIREVA ENROLLS AT AAB COLLEGE

1 October 2020



One of the most promising boxers in Kosovo, who, throughout his successful boxing career has been known as an unrelenting warrior, has decided that he also wants to pursue academic excellence besides boxing.

Besart Pireva has now become part of AAB College's Faculty of Physical Culture and Sports, adding to the long list of successful men and women that already study here amongst us.

During his career, Besart has earned various titles and accolades such as being picked as the boxer of the year in u-18, was crowned champion in the Men's middleweight division in both Kosovo and Albania, and is a silver medalist of the Balkan Championship.

Besart Pireva is also part of the Kosovo national boxing team. He was part of the European Olympic qualifiers held in London and aimed to participate in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

THE CAMPAIGN FOR GIFTING BOOKS TO AAB COLLEGE'S LIBRARY BEGINS

7 October 2020

AAB College's library invites all students, teachers, and fellow readers to become part of the campaign "ONE MORE BOOK FOR MY LIBRARY AT AAB" by sharing your preferred books with one another. The language, genre, or paper quality does not matter – the books that you gift will have a place in the AAB College library.

You can gift books any working week-day at the AAB College library in Prishtina, Ferizaj, and Gjakova.

We thank you in advance for your participation!



THREE AAB COLLEGE STUDENTS CONTINUE THEIR MASTERS STUDIES AT THE SHEFFIELD UNIVERSITY IN GREECE

09 October 2020

Students Arbërije Shurdhaj, Fiona Zeka and Arta Rushiti after finishing their bachelor studies in the Faculty of Psychology at AAB College were accepted into the University of Sheffield of Greece for their Masters studies.



Fiona expresses her enthusiasm about her journey abroad for master's studies, saying "The studies at AAB College have breathed life into the profession I have chosen. The inspiration and motivation to succeed came from the staff at AAB College and their hard work."

Meanwhile, student Arbërije Shurdhaj, remembers her studies at AAB as awe-inspiring and motivational, saying "All the knowledge I have gained while studying at AAB College has served me well in the professional arena. I am now prepared to continue my master's studies in Counseling Psychology at the University of Sheffield. AAB College will always be the only right choice for me. I now realize my dream thanks to the choice I made when I picked AAB College" Cooperation with international partners in higher education is one of the main priorities of AAB College, so that our students have easier access to study or work in Europe and beyond.

AAB College congratulates the students wishing them health and success while studying in Greece!

AAB COLLEGE ESTABLISHES CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY LAB FOR PSYCHOLOGY STUDENTS

12 October 2020



One of the more unique programs here at AAB College is that of Psychology, which has a very high rate of building professionals out of students.

With its hand-picked staff, amongst the best in the field of Psychology, the Faculty of Psychology takes it a step further, creating the only Clinical Psychology Lab in our country, which will help students to prepare better for their exercises and allow them to practice what they have learned in theory.

This Laboratory will be inaugurated as part of the activities organized to mark Mental Health Week, on Monday, October 12, 2020.

In addition, the play “Bretkosa” will be performed. This play was produced by the AAB Chamber Theater, a play that has broken viewership records, which, through the masterful acting of Ilir Tafa, Donat Qosja, Basri Shala and Valmir Krasniqi, conveys the experience of the trauma of war.

THE AMBASSADOR OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA IN KOSOVO, DANIJELA BARIŠIĆ, HOLDS LECTURE FOR AAB COLLEGE STUDENTS

12 October 2020

As part of the regular meetings with accredited ambassadors of our country, Ambassador Danijela Barišić held a lecture for AAB College's master's students of Public Administration and Diplomacy.

During her lecture, she discussed Croatia's foreign policy with the students, summarizing the history of the Republic of Croatia from its founding to its independence from the former Yugoslav federation.



Barišić recounted the bitter experiences during the war in Croatia in the 1990s and the challenges they faced while they worked for their independence all the way to this day.

The Croatian diplomat informed the students about the obstacles and problems that the Croatian state has faced since independence, the issues of defining the Croatian border with its neighbors, the Dayton agreement and its purpose; the division of state wealth between the republics of the former Yugoslavia and a host of other challenges and other difficulties they have faced so far.

Ambassador Barišić also spoke about the path that Croatia has followed to become a member of the EU and NATO, as well as Croatia's membership in the UN.

Prior to the meeting with the students, Ambassador Barisic was received by the Rector, Dr. Sc. Bujar Demjaha and the Vice Rector for Cooperation and International Relations, Prof. Ass. Dr. Venera Lljunji.



In the meeting, they discussed the possibilities of cooperation between AAB College and the Croatian Embassy in the field of education, science and culture, the possibility of establishing cooperation with Croatian universities at the academic and student level, and finally, also discussed creating a wider network between the educational institutions of our two countries.

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY LABORATORY IN AAB COLLEGE, THE ONLY OF ITS KIND IN KOSOVO, WILL BEAR THE NAME OF ACADEMIC “PAJAZIT NUSHI”

13 October 2020

Marking the World Mental Health Day, the laboratory of clinical psychology was inaugurated today at AAB College. This lab, the first of its kind in Kosovo, will help both the students and the academic staff of the Faculty of psychology to put theory into practice through simulated therapy sessions.

During the inauguration ceremony speech, the Rector of AAB College, Bujar Demjaha said that this laboratory is important not only for AAB College, but for Kosovar society as a whole.

This lab was named after Professor Pajazit Nushi.



ANTI-COVID-19 STUDENT WATCH BEGINS ITS ACTIVITIES

14 October 2020

As one of the greatest examples in the country for respecting the defensive measures against Corona virus, the staff and students of AAB College continue to do their best in these trying times. From today, the task-force created by AAB College for protection against covid-19 and implementation of rules to fight it has been joined by the student union's very own anti-covid-19 student watch.



The anti-covid-19 student watch is a group of volunteers who, in coordination with the student union, will keep watch throughout the day in all three campuses of AAB College.



“Our goal is to remind all students and AAB staff that wearing a mask and keeping distance is mandatory and necessary,” said Gentiana Uruqi, president of the Students’ Union.



NEW ACADEMIC YEAR 2020/21

15 October 2020

Dear new students!

Welcome to AAB College, the best non-public higher education institution in the region!

Your decision to be part of AAB College will be a pivotal one in your life!



You will be convinced of this in the coming years during your academic journey. We will prove to each of you that our commitment to our students is second to none.

Although the process of enrollment in universities was delayed this year because of covid-19, we are pleased to announce that the new academic year 2020/21 for new students at AAB College will begin on 26 October 2020.

Each of you will receive an sms on your phone, informing you on the day, group and time of the solemn opening of the academic year.

Meanwhile, the deadline for enrollment of new students will continue to be open until November 15, 2020, so your friends will be able to become a part of AAB College, alongside thousands of new colleagues you will meet at AAB College.

We wish you health and success and welcome you to AAB College!

PROF. DR. SILVIA PEZZOLI FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORENCE HELD THE FIRST CYCLE OF LECTURES FOR AAB COLLEGE

16 October 2020

Professor from the University of Florence, Silvia Pezzoli, held a half-day workshop with doctoral students and young researchers of AAB College.

The topic of this workshop was “Writing a scientific article: specifics and avoidance of non-publication”.

Numerous methodological issues and specifics that the author should keep in mind when drafting a scientific article were discussed in order to avoid rejection by the first filter and then by the review as the final filter before publication. The chosen scientific problem, the structure of the article, the review of literature with bibliography from recent years, methodology, discussions and implications; these are very important elements which the article writer, after having looked at them carefully, should return to review them with added care, according to Prof. Pezzoli.

AAB COLLEGE STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN HARVARD UNIVERSITY'S HNMUN COMPETITION

19 October 2020



From February 11-14, 2021, for the first time in virtual format, the largest international student conference HNMUN “Harvard National Model United Nations” will be held. For the first time in this prestigious competition, students of the Faculty of Law

from AAB College who have been selected through a public competition will also participate.

Mentored by Professor Skender Gjani and Professor Egzonis Hajdari, our students Lirije Hoti, Dafina Ukaj, Leandrit Lllunji, and Enxhi Ballata, will be part of the 67th edition of the oldest and most prestigious student competition. This edition of HNMUN will be attended by over 2500 delegates from over 40 countries to discuss the world’s most pressing issues and build balanced and integrated solutions to complex issues of international importance.

Harvard University is the oldest and most highly ranked university in America and the world in higher education, and is the organizer of this conference, supported by the United Nations. This conference was inaugurated in 1953, when a group of Harvard students who had previously simulated the work of the League of Nations, decided to start a new simulation for the United Nations. AAB College wishes success to the group participating in this conference.

THE AMBASSADOR OF THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA, HRISTO GUDJEV, HOLDS LECTURE FOR THE STUDENTS OF AAB COLLEGE

19 October 2020

The series of lectures on Foreign Policy for the Master's students of the Public Administration and Diplomacy program continue with a lecture from the Ambassador of the Republic of Bulgaria Hristo Gudjev.

With the guidance of Professor Nexhmedin Spahiu, Ambassador Gudjev touched on many interesting topics related to the history of the creation of the Bulgarian state. He spoke about the territorial position of Bulgaria over the centuries, the invasions and wars fought, and its independence.

Afterwards, Ambassador Gudjev discussed the Bulgarian Foreign Policy and its role in strengthening the diplomatic relations with other countries, with the attending students.

Speaking about Bulgaria's EU integration, Ambassador Gudjev highlighted two important issues: "What could the EU do for Bulgaria, and what could Bulgaria do for the EU?"



Bulgarian Ambassador Hristo Gudjev, in addition to holding this lecture for the students, held a meeting with the Rector of AAB College, Dr. Sc. Bujar Demjaha and the vice-rector for Cooperation and International Relations, Prof. Ass. Dr. Venera Lljunji, where they discussed the possibilities of cooperation between the Embassy of Bulgaria and AAB College in the field of education, exchange of experiences, various cultural activities, participation in conferences, exchange of students and staff, and other higher education topics.

THE CONFERENCE “PSYCHOLOGICAL CORRELATIONS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC”, ORGANIZED BY THE FACULTY OF PSYCHOLOGY COMPLETES ITS WORKS

22 October 2020



As part of the many activities marking the Mental Health Month, today, the “Psychological Correlations of the COVID-19 Pandemic” conference has completed its works.

This conference was organized through the hard work and cooperation of the students and staff members of AAB College. The conference opened with a speech by the Rector of AAB College, Bujar Demjaha, who expressed his happiness in the interest in scientific research the students had shown and said that events such as this one are an excellent opportunity for the exchange of knowledge.

Meanwhile, in his speech, Naim Telaku expressed his satisfaction with the engagement of the students and the professional work they have done. He also explained that the works of the students would not have been possible without the Psychology Lab “Pajazit Nushi”. Furthermore, the Dean expressed his willingness for such events to become a tradition of the Faculty of Psychology of AAB College and said that the preparations for the next event have already begun.

COOPERATION AGREEMENT SIGNED WITH THE ARCHIVES STATE AGENCY OF KOSOVO

22 October 2020

AAB College and the Archives State Agency of Kosovo signed a cooperation agreement, through which they pledged to implement various works that will be in the benefit of both institutions.



The purpose of this agreement is to increase the capabilities and quality of professional and scientific skills of the students and staff of both institutions, through the implementation of joint activities in the field of archives management, practical lessons, professional trainings, exhibitions, project development and exchange of experiences in relevant fields.

The two institutions have agreed to draft and design special professional training plans for the specific needs of each party, and in certain cases, to establish professional commissions and joint working groups for project development, strategies and research.

The agreement was signed on the premises of AAB College by the Rector of AAB College, Dr. Sc. Bujar Demjaha and the Chief of the Archives State Agency of Kosovo, Mr. Sc. Bedri Zyberaj.

EU SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE SZUNYOG: “NO ONE CAN FORCE YOU TO ACT OR SIGN ANYTHING THAT IS NOT IN YOUR INTEREST”

22 October 2020



The Special Representative of the European Union in Kosovo, Mr. Tomáš Szunyog during the meeting with the students of AAB College, spoke about his role as Special Representative in Kosovo and assured the students that he will play a lead role in promoting a stable, peaceful, democratic and multi-ethnic Kosovo, emphasizing the importance of strengthening stability in the region and contributing to regional cooperation and good neighborly relations. The EU Special Representative stressed that he will also promote a Kosovo that is committed to the rule of law, the protection of minorities, and the protection of cultural and religious heritage.

The EU diplomat also said that he supports Kosovo's goals and rapprochement with the EU in accordance with the region's goals and the Stabilization and Association Agreement.

In an interactive conversation with students, Szunyog also discussed global politics, relations between different countries in the world, and what impact the policies and relations of other countries can have in Kosovo.

Undoubtedly, the most challenging topic was visa liberalization for Kosovo but there were also questions related to the Special Court in The Hague, and the consequences of it for the state of Kosovo, constitutional changes that became a 'hot' topic these days, the recognition of Kosovo by Israel, the EU's non-support for the opening of the Kosovo Embassy in Jerusalem instead of Tel Aviv, and many other questions important to students.

The message of the ambassador in this meeting was that the development of our country, our progress towards the EU, towards the UN depends on us. “It is in your hands! No one can force you to act, or sign something that is not in your best interest!” What should also be emphasized is the positivity of Ambassador Szunyog and his hope that everything will go well if we are ready to help ourselves and our country in these very challenging and long processes.

“APPBITES SHPK” COMPANY ADDED TO THE LIST OF PARTNERS OF THE FACULTY OF COMPUTER SCIENCES

24 October 2020

The Faculty of Computer Science of AAB College and the company “Appbites Shpk”, signed a cooperation agreement.

This cooperation agreement, which aims to provide students more ways to do their practical work in companies such as “Appbites Shpk”, was signed by the Dean of the Faculty of Computer Science of AAB College, Prof. Jusuf Qarkaxhija and Managing Director of “Appbites Shpk” Arianit Pajaziti.



Dean Qarkaxhija thanked director Pajaziti for the readiness expressed for cooperation with AAB College, saying that AAB College will engage with all the capacities it has, in order for this cooperation agreement to find the most successful implementation.

FIRST-YEAR LECTURES HAVE BEGUN, THE ENROLLMENT OF NEW STUDENTS AT AAB COLLEGE CONTINUES

26 October 2020

Today at AAB College begins the new academic year 2020/2021, for the first-year students. Although in different circumstances, because of the situation created by the COVID-19 pandemic, enthusiasm was not lacking either among the young students or the academic staff.

Welcoming the new students were not only the academic staff but also the student union volunteers who will help them with orientation and familiarization with the academic life.



AAB College has also taken all necessary measures, in accordance with the recommendations of the NIPHK and MoH, to start a year that is, above all, safe for the entire AAB community. As a part of the preparations made, AAB College has also created its own task-force, which is charged with setting its own guidelines and enforcing them. This task-force, in cooperation with AAB College management, has created suitable conditions for students to safely attend classes.

FORMER US CONGRESS MEMBER JERRY WELLER VISITS AAB

27 October 2020

Former US Congressman Jerry Weller, discussed the presidential elections in America, the electoral process, and the importance of these elections for Kosovo,

in front of an AAB College student audience.

Weller, in this jointly organized meeting with the American Chamber of Commerce in Kosovo, praised the work of AAB College, while discussing key topics related to the presidential election in the United States.



VJOSA OSMANI: “CITIZENS HAVE LOST FAITH IN THE ASSEMBLY OF KOSOVO”

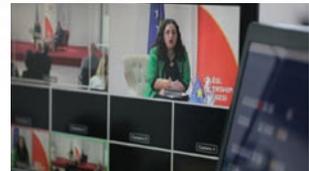
28 October 2020

The Speaker of the Assembly of Kosovo, Vjosa Osmani, today held a lecture on “Parliamentarianism and current challenges”, for AAB students where she spoke about important issues faced by the highest representative body and legislature of the Republic of Kosovo.



According to Osmani, in the 90s, the Assembly of Kosovo, which emerged from the elections of the parallel voting system, built by President Ibrahim Rugova, was not just a body where only ideas were discussed, as it happens today. The parliament, at that time, was a resistance to the occupiers, it was a resistance to Serbia; it was a resistance to a genocidal regime, said Osmani, while emphasizing that nowadays citizens have lost faith in the Assembly of Kosovo, for several reasons.

“For many years now, the Parliament of Kosovo has been considered only as a confirmation stamp for government decisions, many citizens have lost faith in it. Because they do not see it as a place where control takes place, where supervision takes place, a place which serves as a kind of filter or a controller that keeps the decisions of the government in check. So, this is one of the challenges that we have faced over the years and it is one of the issues mentioned in the vast majority of European Commission reports.” – said Osmani.



According to Osmani, a strong parliament should have budgetary independence, and that the Government cannot allocate the budget to the parliament, which according to her, is budgetary pressure.

President Osmani also spoke about current political developments, emphasizing that the Kosovo-Serbia dialogue is another topic that is wasting the energy of Kosovo institutions.

Osmani sees the creation of the Association of Serb-majority municipalities as a dangerous decision for the country: “Regarding the Association of Serbian Municipalities, I think it is one of the most dangerous decisions taken by Kosovo institutions. An autonomy for Serbs in the North is just a warning of what’s to come in the subsequent partition. It’s just as dangerous as partition, only delayed a little.” – said the Speaker of the Assembly, Vjosa Osmani.

THE FIRST PART OF THE WEBINAR “EFFECTIVE TRANSITION TO ONLINE LEARNING” WAS HELD FOR THE ACADEMIC STAFF OF AAB COLLEGE

29 October 2020

As part of the training and workshops for advancing the teaching methodology and the academic staff, the teachers of AAB College attended today the first part of the webinar for online teaching.

Group Discussion

Center for Learning Innovation & Technology Enhancement (CLICKS)

Group Discussion (5 minutes)

- You will be split into breakout rooms
- As soon as you are in your group, select a rapporteur/ discussion leader
- In your group you will discuss (be cautious of time!)

GROUP DISCUSSION

"What do you consider to be the top three biggest challenges of teaching online and how can you overcome them?"

- When back to the group, the rapporteur will type in bullet points the three top challenges discussed in his/ her group

This webinar, organized by the Quality Assurance Office of AAB College, aims to identify the key features that enable a successful online learning experience. The “Effective Transition to Online Learning” webinar will take place in two separate workshops, including a) effective online teaching, and b) student assessment in online learning.

The trainer in this webinar was Dr. Narimane Hadj-Hamou, international e-learning expert who has advised and drafted strategies for online learning in over 25 universities around the world, while lecturing in over 150 international forums and conferences.

THE AMBASSADOR OF SWEDEN, SH.S. KARIN HERNMARCK-AHLINY, HOLDS LECTURE FOR AAB COLLEGE STUDENTS

31 October 2020



Rector of AAB College, Dr. Sc. Bujar Demjaha and the vice-rector for cooperation and international relations, Prof. Ass. Dr. Venera Lljunji, met with the Ambassador of Sweden, H.E. Mrs. Lothar Hernmarck-Ahliny.

Rector Demjaha informed Ambassador Hernmarck-Ahliny about AAB College's dedication and breakneck pace of development of the institution which will serve as an example not only for the region but also beyond.

During this meeting, it was also discussed about strengthening cooperation with the Swedish Embassy and Swedish Universities in the field of education, with the aim of participating in various joint projects, organizing conferences, and exchanging staff and students.

After the meeting, the students attended the lecture of Ambassador Hernmarck-Ahliny on Swedish foreign policy and diplomacy.





NOVEMBER 2020

AAB COLLEGE RECEIVES SUPPORT ON CREATION OF COLLABORATIVE NETWORK WITH UNIVERSITIES FROM CROATIA

10 November 2020

Rector of AAB College, Dr. Sc. Bujar Demjaha was received in an official meeting at the Embassy of the Republic of Croatia in our country, by the Croatian Ambassador, Madam Danijela Barishiq. During the meeting, they discussed the possibilities of creating



a cooperative network between higher education institutions in Croatia, both public and private. The purpose of such networking would be to encourage the signing of various agreements between AAB College and Croatian higher education institutions.

Rector Demjaha attended this meeting together with the vice-rector Venera Lljuni, and the head of the Project Office, Ilirjana Geci.

THE FIRST ACTIVITY OF GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK STARTED AT AAB COLLEGE # GEW2020

16 November 2020

Global Entrepreneurship Week # GEW2020, with AAB College as an annual partner, has started its activities in the Faculty of Economics in the Ferizaj branch.

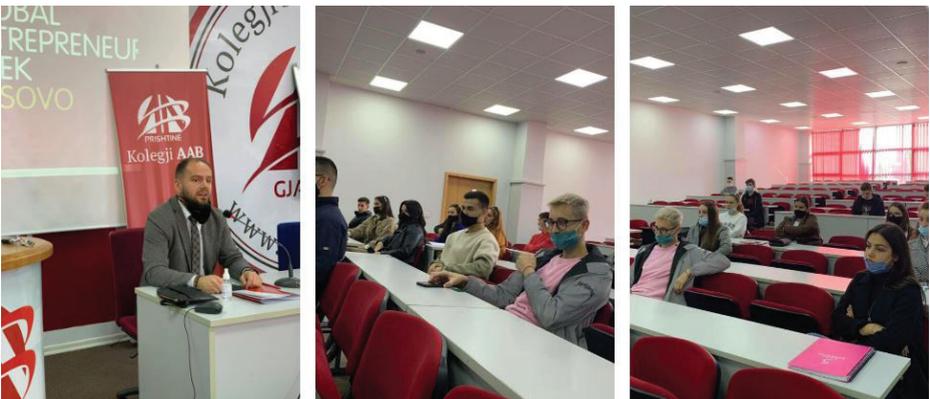
The debate on “Applications of businesses for business loans since the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic”, which took place virtually, had the Director of TEB Bank, Avdullah Tasholli and the Director of the AAB College Branch in Ferizaj, Prof. Dr. Shaip Bytyqi invited as guests.



GEW2020 at AAB College will continue its next activities in the AAB College branch located in Prishtina.

GEW2020: THE DISCUSSION “CHALLENGES OF SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC” HELD AT THE AAB COLLEGE BRANCH IN GJAKOVA

17 November 2020



As part of the activities organized by the Faculty of Economics of AAB College to mark the Global Entrepreneurship Week # GEW2020, a discussion was held on the AAB campus of Gjakova on “Challenges of small and medium enterprises during the Covid-19 Pandemic”.

Present in this discussion were interested students who participated both physically and virtually, while respecting the measures in place to prevent infection by Covid-19.

Invited to this discussion was the entrepreneur and consultant, Butrint Batalli, CEO at INOVA - Plastic Pipe Industry.

In the discussion's opening, the director of the branch of AAB College in Gjakova, Rifat Haxhija, emphasized the challenges of doing business while also speaking about the challenges of SMEs and the difficulties presented during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

DISCUSSION HELD ON “INNOVATIONS IN TEACHING” AS PART OF #GEW20

19 November 2020



The COVID-19 pandemic has created the need for radical change in many areas of our lives, with an emphasis on the digital transformation of activities. This technological revolution that we are experiencing has also affected education which is now being carried out remotely in almost every educational institution from pre-school to higher education institutions.

The American Chamber of Commerce in Kosovo organized a forum called “Innovation in Teaching”.

Invited in this forum were AAB College's Vice-Rector for cooperation and international relations, Prof. Ass. Dr. Venera Lljunji and the director of the American School in Kosovo, Brian Kissman.

AAB STUDENT, BESART PIREVA WINS GOLD MEDAL AT THE ADEM JASHARI INTERNATIONAL BOXING TOURNAMENT

25 November 2020

The student of the Faculty of Physical Education and Sports at AAB College, Besart Pireva, has triumphed in the International Boxing Tournament "Adem Jashari", which was held in Pristina.

Pireva won the gold medal in a competition of professional boxers from Bulgaria, Slovakia, Macedonia, Albania and Kosovo. AAB student Besart Pireva was also named the best local boxer.

The international Boxing Tournament "Adem Jashari", organized by the Boxing Federation of Kosovo, this year was held for the 22nd time, thus fulfilling international activities according to the FboxK competition calendar and the calendar by the European Federation EUBC and the World Federation AIBA.





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DECEMBER 2020

PROCODERS CENTER NOW ALSO PART OF THE AAB COLLEGE PARTNERS

1 December 2020

The Faculty of Computer Science of AAB College and the Center for Education and Technology Development ProCoders CENTER from Gjilan, signed a cooperation agreement.

This cooperation agreement which aims to provide the students of the Faculty of Computer Science of AAB College with practical work in ProCoders CENTER, was signed by the Dean of the Faculty of Computer Science of AAB College, Prof. Jusuf Qarkaxhija and Managing Director of ProCoders CENTER, Ramiz Kastrati.

NEW HEADS OF THE YOUNG ECONOMISTS CLUB ARE ELECTED

09 December 2020

In a combined physical and virtual meeting with all members of the Young Economists Club of AAB College, the new heads of the club for the academic year 2020/21 were elected. Agnesa Tullari was elected president of the Club, which brings together students of all study programs of the Faculty of Economics in the three branches of AAB College, while Andi Vehapi and Alma Jakupi were elected vice presidents.



The Young Economists Club was established in 2016 with the purpose of organizing various economic and social activities that help students to prepare for the labor market.

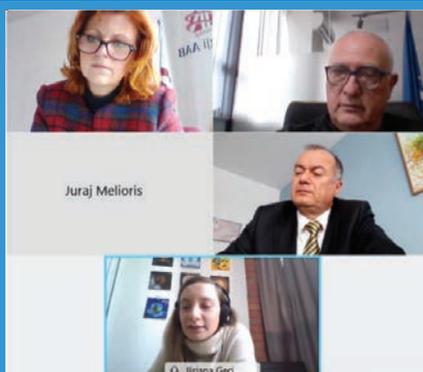
RECTOR DEMJAHA HOLDS VIRTUAL MEETING WITH THE AMBASSADOR OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC, PAVEL BILEK AND THE DEPUTY AMBASSADOR OF SWITZERLAND, PAULINE MENTHONNEX-GACAFERRI

09 December 2020

As a part of various activities and meetings with important personalities, the Rector of AAB College, Bujar Demjaha, together with the Vice Rector for International Relations, Venera Lljunji and the Head of the Project Development Office, Ilirjana Geci, held a virtual meeting with the Ambassador of the Republic Czech in Kosovo, Pavel Bilek and the Deputy Ambassador of Switzerland in our country, Pauline Menthonnex-Gacaferrri.



The purpose of the meeting was to create opportunities of cooperation between AAB College and higher education institutions in the Czech Republic and Switzerland. The focus of the discussions was also the idea of creating a network of universities and colleges that could offer opportunities for exchange of students and academic staff, and also organize joint international conferences, summer / winter schools, and various other activities and projects.



ARLINDA OSMANI, ANOTHER SUCCESS STORY OF PROFESSIONAL ADVANCEMENT FROM AAB

09 December 2020

The studies completed at AAB College for Arlinda Osmani are the initial step of reaching her academic goals.

She studied at the Faculty of Psychology at AAB College, but has now been admitted to the “Modul Vienna University” in Austria. Arlinda as a scholarship recipient will further expand her knowledge in the field of International Tourism Management.



“The knowledge gained during my studies at AAB College has helped me a lot because the direction I have now chosen is very closely related to what I have already learned in Organizational and Social Psychology. The fact that the Austrian institution recognized the diploma I received at AAB College has favored me and helped me in fulfilling my academic goals. My message to all young people is to never abandon their academic dreams and to choose AAB College, because it will only benefit them in the future.”

AAB COLLEGE’S FACULTY OF PHYSICAL CULTURE AND SPORTS SIGNED A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH NGO PLAY4 INTERNATIONAL

09 December 2020

The overall purpose of this memorandum is to provide a framework for concrete cooperation and action in a variety of areas that are of mutual interest for the goals and strategies of PLAY and AAB College.

PLAY is an international NGO with headquarters in Paris and a Mission in Kosovo since 2002. Through sports and physical activity, PLAY International creates collective solutions to promote education, inclusion and well-being for all. PLAY actions in the field reinforce a deep conviction that sport is both a right and a tool to resolve complex issues faced by different societies. The main goal of PLAY is to improve educational outcomes and promote social cohesion in the Western Balkans by empowering future generations and by using the power of sport as a tool to educate, integrate and improve the lives of all young people regardless of ethnicity, gender or ability. The memorandum was signed by the Dean of the Faculty of Physical Education and Sports, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Fatmir Pireva and Andrew Piner, Play International mission chief.

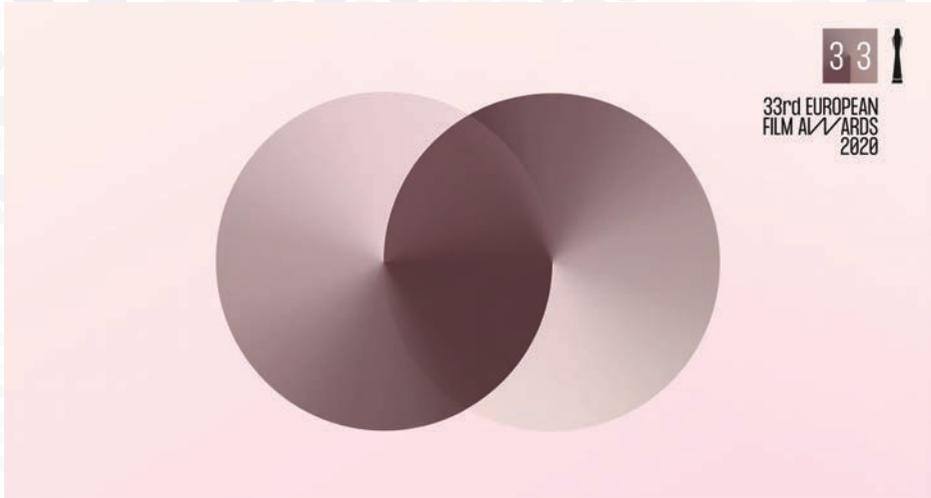


AAB STUDENTS PART OF EUROPEAN STUDENT JURY FILM AWARDS

09 December 2020

Altin Selmani, a student of the Faculty of Mass Communication at AAB College will be the representative of the five-member jury of AAB College students in the Student Jury of European Universities (EUFA), for the 33rd edition of EFAs2020 (European Film Awards).

Due to the global circumstances brought on by the Covid-19 pandemic, this year's edition, which goes on from December 8 to December 12, 2020, will be held through a series of virtual events.



Altin will forward the vote of the AAB College jury to this important film event. In addition, he will participate in a range of activities organized online in this year's edition of EFAs2020.

The selected jury of AAB College students worked closely with Professor Fatos Berisha, who also contributed to the membership of AAB College in this network. AAB College is the only institution in Kosovo that is a member of this network.

ROUNDTABLE “LISTEN, BELIEVE, SUPPORT” HELD AT AAB COLLEGE

11 December 2020



AAB College today organized the roundtable for the elimination of violence against women called “Lis-ten, Believe, Support”, where many successful women from Kosovo took part in.

The opening of this roundtable was done by Venera Lljunji, Vice Rector for International Relations at AAB College.



The participants of this roundtable, who are all women’s rights advocates, shared experiences from cases of domestic violence, but also discussed what should be done in this regard.

THE EFFECT OF THE LAW ON ECONOMIC RECOVERY DISCUSSED AT AAB COLLEGE WITH THE MINISTER OF FINANCE, HYKMETE BAJRAMI

18 December 2020

The effect of the Law on Economic Recovery was the topic of discussion between the Minister of Finance, Hykmete Bajrami and the students of the Faculty of Economics of AAB College. Minister Bajrami said that the situation of the pandemic has greatly damaged the economy in the country and that after the pandemic, the economic situation will not be the same.

According to Bajrami, the Ministry of Finance has not been able to support all businesses and people in need because the budget allocation was signed on March 5, a period before the country entered lockdown.

Regarding the Law on Economic Recovery, Bajrami stressed that all possibilities have been examined for this law to be at the service of citizens.



On the other hand, the Dean of the Faculty of Economics, Medain Hashani, praised the work that Minister Bajrami has done in the period of approval of the Law on Economic Recovery. According to him, this is a law that has caused a great commotion in Kosovo.

THE 4TH EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL THEATER FESTIVAL OF PRISHTINA # PITF2020 STARTS ITS JOURNEY TOMORROW

18 December 2020



“The Show Goes On...” will be the motto of the fourth edition of the International Theater Festival, PITF 2020, organized by AAB College and AAB Theater “Faruk Begolli”.



In the press conference organized, the artistic director of the PITF 2020 Festival, Burbuqe Berisha announced that within the competitive program of this edition, theatrical troupes from Bulgaria, Croatia, Kosovo and Northern Macedonia will perform on the stages of both theaters of AAB College. She also stressed that due to the pandemic situation, the holding of this festival has been canceled twice. This time, however, everything will be done under increased care and in accordance with the measures recommended by the NIPHK.



FACULTY OF COMPUTER SCIENCES HOLDS ONE-DAY WORKSHOP FOR SECOND-YEAR STUDENTS

21 December 2020



Improving cooperation between each other, practicing and increasing knowledge to find solutions to various problems in the field of ICT, effective communication of concepts, opportunities and solutions, use and application of various sensors, but also discussions of developments, achievements and innovations in technology, were some of the topics of the one-day workshop with sophomores of the Faculty of Computer Science held in the premises of AAB College.



Part of this workshop were a variety of tasks from the subjects: “Digital Circuits”, “Programming in Java” and “Computer Networks”.

MANY STUDENTS AND STAFF OF AAB COLLEGE RESPOND TO THE CALL FOR BLOOD DONATION

23 December 2020

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Dozens of students and staff of AAB College expressed their willingness to donate blood and help people in need.

The Dean of the Faculty of Nursing at AAB College, Idriz Sopjani, thanked all the students and staff of AAB College who once again showed their readiness for voluntary blood donation. He also congratulated the donors, praising this as a very humane gesture.

The humanitarian action of blood donation has already become the tradition of AAB College to help those in need with an ever-increasing amount of donations.

PRISHTINA INTERNATIONAL THEATER FESTIVAL SUCCESSFULLY CLOSSES ITS FOURTH EDITION – MAIN PRIZE GOES TO CROATIA

24 December 2020

Even though in extreme conditions, due to Covid-19, Prishtina International Theater Festival, closed its fourth edition last night.



In this edition of the festival, which lasted from 19-23 December 2020, four plays were performed in the competitive program, with the participation of professional theatrical troupes from Bulgaria, Croatia, Kosovo and Northern Macedonia, while part of the festival was also the guest performance “Frog” production of AAB Theater.

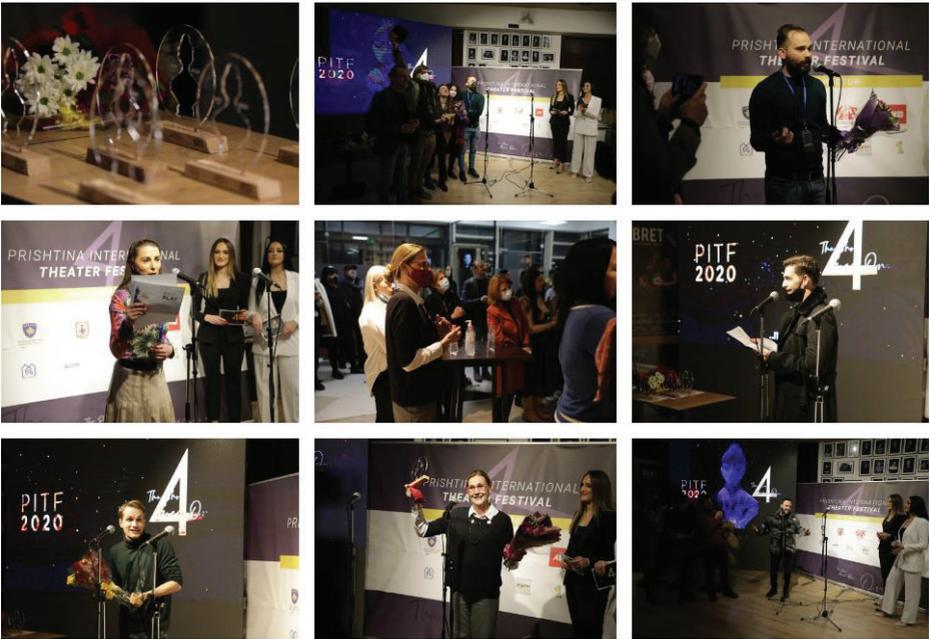
The professional jury of PITF 2020 consisting of: Donat Qosja, actor from Kosovo; Arbënesha Grabovci – Nixha, actress from Kosovo and Adem Karaga, actor from Northern Macedonia, decided that the main award of the festival, Best Actor, goes to the actress from Croatia, Ecija Ojdanić, for her role in the play “Vla- VLA- Vlajland “.

The award for best supporting role was given to the actor from Kosovo, Valmir Krasniqi, for his role in “Allo, allo” play, produced by the Theater “Hadi Shehu” from Gjakova;

The award for best director went to Croatian director Ivan Leo Lemo, for the play “Vla-Vla-Vlajland”;

According to the evaluation of the professional jury, the best play of the festival was “Allo, allo”, of the Gjakova Theater.

PITF 2020, has also awarded the best play of the festival two times according to the evaluation of the AAB College Student Jury and the Media Jury.



The award for the best play of the fourth edition of PITF 2020, according to Students’ jury, went to the play “Possible Worlds”, produced by the National Theater of Stip from Northern Macedonia. While the Media Jury, awarded the play from Kosovo “Allo, allo” as Best play, which was brought by the troupe of the Theater “Hadi Shehu” from Gjakova.

PITF (Prishtina International Theater Festival) is the only international festival in the country, which is organized by the AAB Theater “Faruk Begolli” in Prishtina.

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