



Collaboration between the FYE Program and the Mohamed VI Library (M6L): Supporting the Academic Success of First-year Students at Al Akhawayn University

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## Context

Throughout these last few years, the Mohamed VI Library (M6L) and the FYE Program have had fruitful collaborations.

These collaborations aim at providing resources and support to help first-year students transition to college life and succeed academically.

## Examples of the Collaborations

- Orientation program
- Space management and allocation
- Information literacy workshops
- Academic support services

# Orientation Program

- The library participated in the FYE orientation program by organizing library tours, introducing students to library resources, and highlighting services available to support their academic journey.
- This collaboration helps students get familiarized with the library's physical space and digital resources early on.

## Space Management

### Active Learning Spaces:

- Provide six Active Learning
   Spaces during the Pandemic
- ALS spaces bookable online through the system
  - https://libguides.aui.ma/sp aces/als













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- Active Learning Spaces
- M6L ThinkSpace
- 2nd Floor Workshop Space

# Information Literacy Workshops

- M6L developed information literacy workshops tailored to the needs of firstyear students.
- These workshops covered topics such as effective research strategies, evaluating sources, citing references, and utilizing library databases.
- By equipping students with these skills, the collaboration aims at enhancing their academic success throughout college years.



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#### M6L Workshops: An Introduction

The Mohammed VI Library offers a selection of different instructional workshops to the AUI community. There are six main workshops, which can be taken sequentially or as stand-alone sessions. In addition, **the M6L can offer custom workshops** on library tools, resources, or facilities to staff on demand. Faculty who would like to schedule a workshop can use the online book system by clicking the links below.

Have questions? Please feel free to reach out to the Research & Learning Services Unit Head, Ms. Hanane Karkour (h.karkour@aui.ma or x.2170), with any questions about M6L workshops.

# Academic Support Services

- M6L collaborates with FYE to provide academic support services.
- The library hosts study groups, research consultation, or citation formatting.

https://libguides.aui.ma/services/consultations

## Need help with finding materials or some one-on-one guidance in getting started with a research project?

The M6L's Research & Learning Services Librarians are available for one-on-one consultations, either inperson or online.

- Type of requesters: AUI students, faculty, and staff
- Format: In-person at the M6L Reference Desk or via Microsoft Teams



• Booking policy: The consultation needs to be booked at least 48 hours in advance using the online M6L Librarian Consultations Booking System or by emailing circulation@aui.ma.



#### Types of consultations:

- Research support
- Citation tools
- OPAC, eBooks and Databases' access
- Millennium account creation
- Locating a book or other resource in the library or on the library's website

#### **Book Now Online**



# Just a quick question?

During working hours, chat
live with librarian by
contacting the
m6lcirculation@aui.ma
account on Microsoft Teams



#### When & How Long?





# Al Akhawayn's Expansion

### Learning Experience:

- 3 Mentors were involved in the training of their peers.
- A comprehensive document prepared by the mentors highlighted the different topics addressed during the training.

## Future Collaboration

### **Information Campaigns:**

- M6L and FYE can jointly develop information campaigns to promote library resources and services specifically targeting first-year students.
- This collaboration can involve creating promotional materials, organizing informative events, and utilizing social media platforms to raise awareness about available resources that can support students' academic success.

